

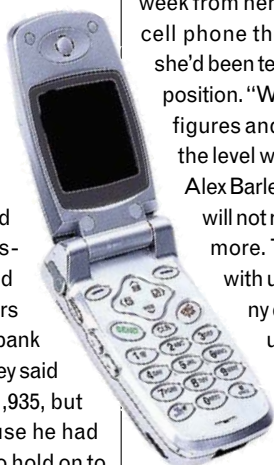
theater to investigate the source of the noise. One problem: Managers will not know the exact seat the complaint has originated from, because customers take the device in with them and can sit wherever they choose. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2

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HANGOVERS

Man, What Did I DO Last Night?

A drunken Darnstadt, Germany, man withdrew more than \$16,700 from his bank account and started handing out the money to passers-by Tuesday, police said. Officers said they were alerted at lunch-time to a man sitting on a bench in front of a bank and handing out notes. He had the money stuffed into plastic bags and his pockets, and some of it blew away. Officers took the man back into the bank and counted the money. They said that he had handed out \$1,935, but that he "didn't care because he had enough." Police decided to hold on to the rest of the money temporarily. They told the man to come back and collect it once he sobered up. (AP)



TERMINATION

Ur Thru Here :-)

Katy Tanner's cell phone beeped with a startling message: You're fired. Tanner, of Cardiff, Wales, took a sick day last week from her job. She turned on her cell phone the next day to discover she'd been terminated from her sales position. "We've reviewed your sales figures and they're not really up to the level we need," shop manager Alex Barlett wrote. "As a result, we will not require your services any more. Thank you for your time with us." Ian Bisbie, a company director, said they do not usually fire employees by text message, but had no other alternative after phoning Tanner five or six times. The company also defended the sacking-by-text message as a way to keep modern. (AP)



GO AWAY UNTIL DECEMBER

Season's Heatings

He's called Father Christmas, but that doesn't stop him from attending lame promotions all year. Along with Debra the zebra, he took a break Tuesday from his safari vacation to launch Magical Christmas World at Harrods in London. With just 139 days left until Christmas — and you haven't even STARTED shopping yet?!? — the department store played Bing Crosby's "Let It Snow" during the event. Considering the city is in the midst of a sweltering heat wave, that'd be nice. (EXPRESS)



You seem tense. Could it be because the state is meddling in your sex life?

BIG BROTHER

This Really Rubs Them the Wrong Way

LaRae Lundeen Fjellman of Lindstrom, Minn., could lose her state massage therapist license for having sex with her husband. Kirk Fjellman, a former client, saw her professionally from October 2000 to May 2002, and they started dating in July 2002. But when they later consummated the relationship, they ran afoul of a state law banning massage therapists from having sex with former clients for two years. (AP)

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BAN CAMP: Roadside camping bans are constitutional, a judge ruled Tuesday, blocking protesters from pitching tents near President Bush's ranch. The ruling prevents protesters from building a campsite like the one Cindy Sheehan organized last year.

Nation

In Brief

BOSTON **Big Dig Ramp to Reopen After Deadly Accident**

A Big Dig ramp, closed amid safety concerns in the wake of the deadly collapse of a nearby tunnel ceiling, was set to reopen at midnight Tuesday, Gov. Mitt Romney said. The ramp was closed shortly after an accident July 10 that killed a 39-year-old woman as she and her husband drove through a connector tunnel and their car was crushed by 12 tons of falling ceiling panels. (AP)

MIAMI **National Hurricane Center Lowers Storm Predictions**

The 2006 Atlantic hurricane season should be slightly less active than originally predicted, federal forecasters said Tuesday. Forecasters now expect there to be 12 to 15 named storms and seven to nine hurricanes, the National Hurricane Center and other National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration agencies said. (AP)

LOS ANGELES **Report: Files Show Army Atrocities in Vietnam War**

Atrocities against civilians and prisoners by Army soldiers during the Vietnam War were more common than originally disclosed to the public, according to a Los Angeles Times review of recently unsealed government files. Some 9,000 pages of records is the largest collection of documented war crimes in Vietnam. (AP)

Lieberman Camp: Web Site Hacked

Senator's campaign says foe's supporters disrupted e-mails

HARTFORD, CONN. | Democratic Sen. Joe Lieberman, who was locked in a battle with an anti-war challenger in the nation's most closely watched primary race Tuesday, accused his opponent's supporters of hacking his campaign Web site and e-mail system.

Lieberman campaign manager Sean Smith said the campaign has contacted the Connecticut attorney general's office and asked for a criminal investigation by state and federal authorities.

Campaigning Tuesday in New Haven, Lieberman said he has no proof that Ned Lamont's supporters are responsible, but is asking the state party chairman to intervene.

"I'm concerned that our Web site is knocked out on the day of the primary; you'd assume it wasn't any



MEET MARKET: Democratic Sen. Joe Lieberman points toward his bus as he leaves a New Haven, Conn., grocery on Tuesday where he campaigned on election day.

casual observer," Lieberman said.

Lamont, campaigning early Tuesday afternoon in Bridgeport, said he knew nothing about the

accusations. "It's just another scurrilous charge," he said.

A spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office declined immediate

comment. Calls placed to the FBI and the chief state's attorney's office seeking comment were not immediately returned. Smith said the Web site began having problems Monday night and crashed for good at 7 a.m. on Tuesday.

"Voters cannot go to our Web site. They cannot access information," Smith said. "It is a deliberate attempt to disenfranchise voters."

A new poll showed the race tightening between Lieberman and Lamont, with Lamont holding a slight lead. Lieberman has said he will run as an independent in the fall if defeated in the primary.

Lamont held a slight lead of 51 percent to 45 percent over Lieberman among likely Democratic voters, according to a poll released Monday. SUSAN HAIGH (AP)

Results from Tuesday's primary elections were not available before Express' deadline. For the latest election returns, go to washingtonpost.com

Firefighters Rescue Trapped Worker

PHOENIX | Firefighters freed a severely injured construction worker trapped for hours under tons of concrete Tuesday in a collapsed parking garage.

The 28-year-old man was conscious and talking during the ordeal but suffered life-threatening injuries to his legs, said Mike Sandulak, a fire department division chief. He was taken to the hospital.



Firefighters carry the construction worker to an ambulance on Tuesday.

More than 100 firefighters from Phoenix and nearby agencies worked for more than six hours to pull the man from the debris. Firefighters cut reinforcing rods in the concrete so they could remove it.

As the man awaited rescue, firefighters gave him painkillers and started intravenous lines so they could give medications and fluids. Medical personnel in hospital scrubs and hard hats passed him oxygen bottles and IV fluids. (AP)

HEARSAY | TWINS

"When I was done with the operation ... I got tears in my eyes, because they looked so good."

—PEDIATRIC SURGEON MICHAEL MATLAK WHO LEAD A 26-HOUR SURGERY TO SEPARATE CONJOINED TWIN SISTERS KENDRA AND MALIYAH HERRIN ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

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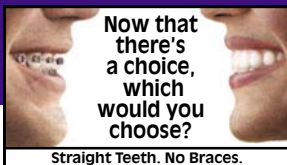
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DeLay to Aid Ballot Effort

Former congressman to step aside so GOP can field a candidate

WASHINGTON | Dogged by scandal, former House Majority Leader Tom DeLay said Tuesday he will do whatever is necessary to remove his name from the ballot, a step that will allow the party to field a write-in candidate in hopes of holding his seat in Texas.

DeLay acted one day after Texas Republicans lost a court battle in their bid to name a replacement candidate for him on the November ballot.

"I will take the actions necessary to remove my name from the Texas ballot. To do anything else would be hypocrisy," DeLay said in a statement.



RALPH BARRERA/AP

PLEDGE: Former Rep. Tom DeLay leaves court in Austin, Texas, in this June photo. He said Tuesday he would work to remove his name from the Texas ballot.

Several Republicans said local party officials hoped to unite behind a write-in candidate.

DeLay resigned from his Houston-area seat in June and said he was

switching his legal residence to Virginia. He had already won a primary in Texas, and Republican officials there moved to name a replacement candidate. DAVID ESPO (AP)



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RISKY TRANSIT: The National Fire Protection Association estimates there are an average of six bus fires per day for all kinds of buses, including school and inner-city transit buses. But safety investigators note they are rarely fatal because passengers can evacuate in time.

Nation

Bodman Confident of Oil Supplies

Energy secretary says nation has adequate reserves after BP leak

WASHINGTON | Energy Secretary Samuel Bodman said Tuesday it could take months to resume normal shipments of Alaska oil, but that there are adequate supplies to make up for the loss to West Coast refineries.

"My sense is we're in pretty reasonable shape," Bodman said at a news conference.

He said there are relatively high inventories of crude oil in the system and that oil can be diverted from other producers, including Saudi Arabia and Mexico, to meet refinery needs.

About 400,000 barrels a day of Alaska crude oil is expected to be



DAMAGE CONTROL: Workers assess a leaking transit line, third from right, on Monday at the Prudhoe Bay oil field on Alaska's North Slope after a pipeline shutdown.

lost because of a shutdown of North Slope operations, following corrosion problems with pipelines.

Bodman said that officials at

BP Alaska told him it would "take probably months to fix" the pipeline problem, "so we are going to have to deal with the issue at hand."

BP Alaska was forced to shut down its North Slope oil field because of extensive corrosion in two of three feeder pipelines that transport oil into the trans-Alaska pipeline. The field accounts for about 400,000 barrels of oil a day, half the amount the North Slope produces.

But Bodman said, "A complete shutdown of the Prudhoe Bay system may not be necessary." He said that company officials had told him they may be able to make repairs to some of the damaged lines while continuing production.

Bodman gave an upbeat assessment on the supply picture for West Coast refineries, which rely heavily on Alaska crude.

"Substitutions for Alaska crude oil, we believe, are available," he said. H. JOSEF HEBERT (AP)

Review Raises Safety Concerns On Defibrillators

CHICAGO | A review of safety data raises questions about the reliability of the heart zappers that hang on the walls of airports, shopping malls and health clubs.

Harvard Medical School researchers found that over the past decade, one in five automated external defibrillators was recalled because of the potential for malfunction, and devices that failed were associated with 370 deaths.

Nevertheless, the devices have saved many lives, and the benefits outweigh the risks, said study author Dr. William Maisel.

"The number of malfunctions may be alarming to some, but you have to take it in the context of the large number of patients saved by these devices," he said. (AP)



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World



BURIED TREASURE: A gold and platinum dagger believed to be 5,000 years old has been unearthed in central Bulgaria, archaeologists revealed Monday. The team also found more than 500 tiny golden rings that appeared to be pieces of ancient jewelry.

Deadly Clashes Push on in Mideast

Lebanon's offer to send troops to Israeli border stirs Olmert's interest

TYRE, LEBANON | Israel shut down south Lebanon with a threat to blast any moving vehicles, as ground fighting intensified near the Israeli border, airstrikes killed at least 19 civilians and Arab governments called for a full Israeli withdrawal as a condition of any cease-fire.

With U.S., French and Arab negotiators meeting into the evening at the United Nations, Israel voiced cautious interest in a Lebanese proposal to deploy 15,000 soldiers to control the ground in south Lebanon where Hezbollah has been firing missiles into Israel. But the warring sides appeared to be some distance apart on the text of a possible resolution, now not expected to come before the Security Council before Thursday.

After four weeks of fighting, nearly 800 people have died on both sides. Rescuers in Lebanon pulled 28 additional corpses from the wreckage of Monday's attacks, raising that day's toll to 77 Lebanese — the deadliest single day of the war.

At least 160 Hezbollah rockets



GRIM VIEW: Samir Taan Waheb looks at damage from an Israeli strike on the southern Beirut suburb of Chiah on Tuesday.

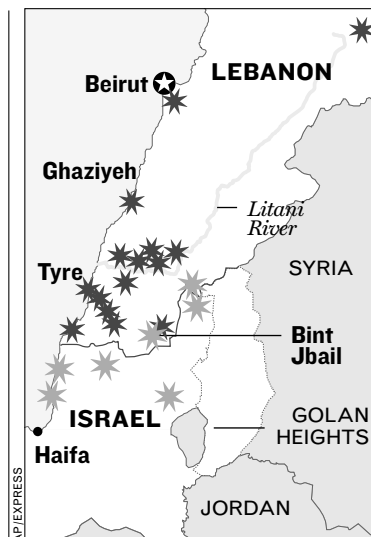
hit northern Israel, most of them in and around the towns of Nahariya, Kiryat Shemona, Maalot and Safed. No Israeli civilians were killed.

Some of the fiercest ground

fighting raged around the village of Bint Jbail, a Hezbollah stronghold that Israel has tried to capture for weeks. Three Israeli soldiers were killed there Tuesday,

the military said, claiming 35 Hezbollah guerrillas died in the fighting. Hezbollah would not confirm any deaths.

Both Israel and the United



MILITARY ACTIONS

★ Israeli forces ★ Hezbollah forces

States issued positive, if lukewarm, assessments Tuesday of the Lebanese government's plan to dispatch 15,000 soldiers into south Lebanon after a cease-fire and the withdrawal of Israeli forces.

"It looks interesting and we will examine it closely," Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said.

The U.N. Security Council put off for at least one day voting on a U.S.-French cease-fire proposal to allow three leading Arab officials to present arguments that the resolution was heavily tilted in favor of Israel and did not "take Lebanon's interest and stability into account."

KATHY GANNON (AP)

HEARSAY | THREAT ASSESSMENT



"The European attitude is supremely arrogant. It dismisses these people as funny people [who are] not serious. They are serious."

— FORMER ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER BENJAMIN NETANYAHU
ARGUING TUESDAY THAT ISRAEL MAY MERELY BE THE FIRST TARGET IN A WORLDWIDE CAMPAIGN WAGED BY ISLAMIC MILITANTS.

Lebanese Oil Spill Raising Concerns

ROME | An environmental group warned Tuesday that a fuel oil spill stretching along the Lebanese coast is exposing local populations to serious health hazards.

"The black tide on the Lebanese and Syrian coasts exposes people in the stricken areas to a risk of can-

cer," from both direct exposure and food contamination, said Sergio Illuminato, director of INFO/RAC, an agency working with the U.N. Environment Program.

An Israeli bombing last month hit a power plant about 12 miles south of Beirut, causing the spill. (AP)

Fleeing Israelis Gain Government Aid

NAHARIYA, ISRAEL | For the first time, Israel's government offered Tuesday to foot the bill for thousands of residents who want to flee a war zone, but it was careful to avoid using the word "evacuation."

When Iraqi rockets hit Tel Aviv in the 1991 Gulf War, the city's mayor mocked those who fled as "deserters." But a month of war and thousands of Hezbollah rockets appear to have ended that stigma.

More than 300,000 residents of northern Israel already have left the region — which has been pummeled by thousands of Hezbollah rockets — and are staying in hotels or with relatives farther south.

The government said Tuesday that it was taking action to help



Israelis living near the Lebanese border prepare to travel to the country's south.

some of those in the north, saying they will be brought south for "refreshment."

Under the plan, the government would pay for four-day holidays for 12,000 northerners and rent out

2,000 hotel rooms indefinitely for residents' use.

Gal Alon, a government spokesman, said most of the country's hotel rooms south of Tiberias were filled. Many of them were packed with people who fled the north weeks ago.

Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said the plan was "without precedent in the history of the state of Israel."

Though the government did not announce many specifics, it presumably would relieve some of the burden from private citizens throughout the country, who have been scrambling to find ad hoc housing for refugees from the fighting. (MATTI FRIEDMAN (AP))



DOUBLE VISION: Twin giant pandas each gave birth to twin cubs this week as the number of pandas born in captivity this year in China rose to six, state media reported Tuesday. The sisters, Qi Zhen and Qi Yuan, delivered their babies on Sunday and Monday in Chengdu.

World

Rocking a New Punk Beat in China

Being a rebel rocker in a country that limits dissent is a tricky tune

BEIJING | Shortly after midnight, in a smoky bar in a western Beijing neighborhood, a lanky 33-year-old in bluejeans and thick, black-rimmed glasses took the stage, looking every bit like an engineering student.

But as the guitarists on either side of Yang Haisong began thrashing out minor chords, he left little doubt about his credentials. He contorted his face and jerked his head to the frenetic rhythm that is universally recognizable to fans of punk rock.

"At the moment when blood flows out," Yang sang, "make a V sign, and scream loud!"

For Chinese punks today, it might take screaming to be heard. They make up a small slice of the music industry here, and they play to a largely underground scene. But their struggle to gain attention provides a glimpse of what it's like to be a rebel in a country that suppresses



WE WILL ROCK YOU: Members of the band Demerit joke with a neighbor in Beijing. Punk bands in China are a small slice of the industry with an underground following.

dissent and individuality, and an artist in a culture that worships money and Western fads.

"Most bands are into punk because it's fashionable. They are more like copy bands, cover bands that copy the lifestyle. Punk rock should be more dangerous, more

deep. You should establish your own style," said Yang, the lead singer of P.K.14, which performed Saturday night at a bar in Beijing's Wudaokou district.

"We want to be a dangerous band, like Fugazi or The Clash or Bob Dylan. Woody Guthrie's folk

A Cautious Chord

→ Even as China's young rockers claim the freedom to say whatever they want in their songs, punks admit there are still lines that they cannot cross. | **Today, AI**

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music influenced me a lot," Yang said. "But because the government doesn't care about us, we are not forbidden from playing. Maybe we are not dangerous. It's sad."

In the West, punk rock is about annoying your parents and confronting the establishment. In theory, it's the same in China.

Punks here believe they can say whatever they want. They are pierced and sullen, with spiderweb tattoos on their elbows and cheap dye in their hair.

"Of course the government tells you what to do. It tells Americans what to do," said Lei Jun, 31, lead singer for the band Misando. "The politics everywhere are ugly. It looks different here, but the nature of it is the same."

MAUREEN FAN (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief

MEXICO CITY

Leftist's Supporters Take Over Toll Booths in Protest

Supporters of leftist candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador briefly took over highway toll booths Tuesday, giving thousands of motorists free passage to the capital as they escalated their demands for a full recount in July's close election. The seizure of the toll booths prompted President Vicente Fox's spokesman, Ruben Aguilar, to threaten for the first time the use of force. But demonstrators abandoned the booths shortly after the end of the morning rush hour. (AP)



Evacuees from a Filipino village near the erupting volcano arrive in Legazpi.

MATANAG, PHILIPPINES

Volcano's New Activity Prompts Mass Evacuations

A volcano in the Philippines showed more signs of erupting Tuesday, belching ash three times overnight as officials evacuated tens of thousands of villagers. The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology raised the alert for the 8,118-foot Mayon volcano to Level 4 on Monday — the second-highest level — after six explosions sent ash columns up to a half-mile high. The explosions prompted the mandatory evacuation of about 35,000 villagers in Albay province. (AP)

MADRID

Five Arrested on Suspicion Of Setting Forest Fires

Police have arrested five men suspected of deliberately starting forest fires raging across northwestern Spain that have killed three people, authorities said Tuesday. The suspects were detained for questioning in the Galicia region, officials said. On Tuesday, 67 fires were still active across Galicia, fire department officials said. (AP)

20 Die in Latest Burst Of Violence to Hit Iraq

American soldiers step up security in Baghdad in bid to curb attacks

BAGHDAD | At least 20 people were killed Tuesday in a string of bombings in the center of Baghdad, as more American soldiers patrolled the streets of the capital in a make-or-break bid to quell sectarian violence.

Nearly 60 people were wounded in the blasts, police said. The explosions began when three bombs went off simultaneously near the Interior Ministry in central Baghdad, killing 10 people and wounding eight, police Lt. Bilal Ali Majid said.

Two more bombs ripped through the main Shurja market, also in central Baghdad, killing 10 more civil-

ians and wounding 50, police Lt. Mohammed Kheyoun said.

At least 13 other people were killed or found dead Tuesday, most in the Baghdad area, where tension between Sunnis and Shiites runs the highest.

The violence underscores the security crisis facing Baghdad, which prompted American commanders to send more U.S. soldiers to the capital in a renewed bid to curb sectarian killings and kidnappings.

American officials have released few details of the new campaign, citing security. However, more heavily armed U.S. soldiers were seen Tuesday on the streets of Ghazaliyah, one of the neighborhoods targeted in the first stage of the stabilization effort. (AP)

Dangers on Rise For Aid Workers In Sudan's Darfur

LONDON | July was the most dangerous month in three years for humanitarian workers in Sudan's war-torn Darfur region, and conditions for millions of civilians suffering in the area could get much worse quickly if security doesn't improve, aid groups warned Tuesday.

Spiraling violence is already causing a rise in malnutrition and the spread of disease in some displaced-persons camps, the four groups said.

Eight Sudanese humanitarian workers were killed in Darfur last month — either in road ambushes or other attacks.

The trouble follows a May deal that was supposed to help end the conflict in the region but has instead sparked months of fighting between rival rebel factions. (AP)



INDONESIA

BIRD FLU'S MOUNTING TOLL

The growing human death toll from bird flu in Indonesia — now believed the country worst-hit by the disease — concerns experts, who fear the virus will keep infecting people until it is controlled in poultry. Two new suspected deaths from the virus may push the country's death toll to 44. (AP)

Confirmed Human Cases

Money



RUM WILD: After years of a trade embargo and legal battle over its recipe, Havana Club rum is for sale again in the U.S. The rum — which takes three years to age — hasn't been sold in the U.S. since 1994. It will be relaunched this week in Florida by Bacardi USA Inc.

Gas Costs Don't Fuel Big Changes

Poll shows only a few commuters switch to mass transit, carpools

WASHINGTON | High gasoline prices already had most people cutting back on driving before the shutdown of an Alaska pipeline threatened to push costs even higher.

However, few drivers are making bigger changes, such as carpooling or using mass transit.

Fifty-five percent of drivers said they had reduced their driving because of high gas prices, according to a poll released Tuesday by the Pew Research Center. About one in five said they had started carpooling or sharing rides more often, while 12 percent said they had begun using mass transit more often.

Economists say Americans' dependence on the automobile makes it unlikely drivers will change

their driving habits dramatically, regardless of price increases, at least in the short term.

"There are small ways to cut down on driving. But in comparison to other products, there is no substitute for gasoline or for driving," said Matthew Lewis, assistant professor of economics at Ohio State University. "You probably can't buy a smaller car [in the short term]. And people can't change where they live, or where they work."

Austan Goolsbee, a University of Chicago economics professor, said gas prices would have to stay high for a long time for consumption to drop significantly.

BP Alaska announced Monday it was closing its Prudhoe Bay oil field because of corrosion in feeder pipelines that transport oil into the trans-Alaska pipeline. The field accounts for about 400,000 barrels of oil a day. (AP)

Wal-Mart Raises Pay at 1,200 Stores

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. is raising wages at 1,200 of its U.S. stores and introducing wage caps at all stores in an effort to remain competitive as it continues to expand.

Company spokesman John Simley said wages for current and beginning employees will increase an average of about 6 percent at the selected locations.

The changes help in two ways, Simley said. Higher starting pay makes Wal-Mart more attractive to new workers, and wage caps give current associates an incentive to move up to higher positions if they want to make more money. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Aleris Intl	52.85	+11.46	+27.7
RentWay	10.15	+1.92	+23.3
ReynReyn	38.94	+3.86	+11.0
Applica h	4.68	+3.33	+7.6
PopeTal	5.66	+3.39	+7.4

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
UtdRentals	21.96	-4.92	-18.3
BallyTotF	4.18	-.82	-16.4
StillwtrM	10.12	-1.68	-14.2
Blount	9.76	-1.25	-11.4
Wabash	12.54	-1.16	-8.5

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.3125
3-month disc	4.97	4.99
2-year	4.90	4.95
10-year	4.92	4.98
30-year	5.02	5.06

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Loudeye rs	4.33	+2.56	+144.6
Bitstrm	5.93	+1.64	+38.2
Rudolph	16.52	+2.74	+19.9
Greenf dOn	8.08	+1.17	+16.9
Iomai n	3.31	-.23	-6.5

Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
CmstkHm	4.06	-1.45	-26.3
AllionHlt	5.98	-1.36	-18.5
Orbit Intl	5.76	-1.31	-18.5
BrdcdeCm	5.01	-1.13	-18.4
AssetAcc	15.64	-3.10	-16.5

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5241	.5246	.5600
Canadian Dollar	1.1221	1.1195	1.2135
European Euro	.7786	.7789	.8093
Japanese Yen	115.08	115.07	112.00
Mexican Peso	10.8870	10.8770	10.6340
Taiwanese Dollar	32.78	32.80	31.81

DOW NASDAQ S&P 500

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-45.79	-11.65	-4.29
-0.41	-0.56	-0.34
11173.59	2060.85	1271.48

Media Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
CBS B n	26.25	+1.10	+2.9
ClearChan	28.00	-.54	-11.0
Comcast	34.25	-.39	+32.1
Comc sp	34.21	-.33	+33.2
DirectTV	17.08	-.23	+21.0
Disney	28.98	-.41	+20.9
EchoStar	35.08	-.30	+29.1
McGrwH	56.78	+3.32	+10.0
NewsCpA	19.34	+3.36	+24.4
NewsCpB	20.19	+4.43	+21.6
Omnicom	86.66	-.85	+1.8
Thomson	40.54	+2.21	+17.2
TimeWam	16.19	-.19	-7.2
ViacomB n	34.40	+1.12	-16.4
WPP Gp	58.24	-.06	+7.9



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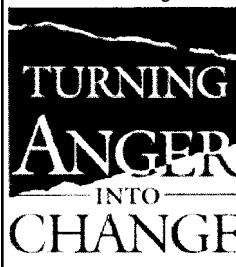
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Bethesda, Maryland. For more information, call 301-496-7500.

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MORE CAPITOL STEPS: Virginia's General Assembly will meet next winter for the second consecutive regular session in the Patrick Henry Building because of uncertainty over whether renovations on the 200-year-old Capitol will be finished.

Local

Military Amusement Park Is Nixed

Attraction with Army theme was criticized as a tasteless mockery

MCLEAN, VA. | The Army said Tuesday it will not consider a Florida developer's proposal to build a military theme park on a northern Virginia Army base, including rides that would allow visitors to "command the latest

M-1 tank" and "feel the rush of a paratrooper freefall." The developer's plans called for a military-style theme park at Fort Belvoir, a few miles south of the nation's capital, in conjunction with plans for a new National Museum of the United States Army scheduled to be built at the base by 2011. But officials said Tuesday the proposal was "dead on arrival." "That proposal ... was dead on

arrival, and will be dead on arrival if resubmitted," said Keith Eastin, the Army's assistant secretary for installations and environment. Eastin said the Army is willing to consider some type of "visitor destination concept" to go with the museum but said it "would be done in a tasteful and appropriate manner." The theme-park proposal drew sharp criticism from officials who

worried not only about the traffic impact in a region already on the verge of gridlock, but also that a theme park would make a mockery of the Army experience. "How do you handle war? You don't trivialize it. It's the most serious engagement," said Fairfax County Supervisor Gerald Hyland, a retired Air Force colonel whose district includes most of Fort Belvoir. MATTHEW BARAKAT (AP)

No Water For Libya Embassy

Country sues District utility because of bills 'squatters' accrued

WASHINGTON | Libya wants to reopen an embassy in the United States, but it can't get the District of Columbia to turn on the water.

The Libyan government sued the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority last week, demanding that the property's water and sewer service be turned on. The lawsuit also asks for \$1 million in damages.

At the heart of the dispute are more than \$27,000 in outstanding water and sewer bills for the property on Wyoming Avenue. Libya says it hasn't occupied the building since 1981, when the U.S. government cut diplomatic ties with the country and shut the embassy.

After Libya's departure, the United Arab Emirates took control of the property. And, according to the suit, "squatters" stayed there for several years without permission from Libya or UAE.

The UAE evicted the squatters in 2003 and ordered water and sewer service to be shut off, the suit says.

Even so, the D.C. utility won't provide water or sewer service until someone pays the bills. The city's records show water and sewer accounts at the property in the name of the "United Kingdom of Libya," and the authority has filed a lien demanding payment.

The Libyan government, however, says it shouldn't have to pay because it didn't authorize the service. (AP)

Officer in Sex Case Out of Jail

Judge releases Capitol Police sergeant said to have taped encounter

WASHINGTON | A U.S. Capitol Police sergeant has been released from jail after being charged with child sexual abuse in a scandal involving a girl who says she was working as a prostitute for a Maryland high school football coach.

Sgt. Michael Malloy, 34, appeared Monday in District of Columbia Superior Court, where a judge set several conditions for his release, including that he be monitored by an electronic ankle bracelet and that he not have contact with children under 16.

Malloy pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Malloy is accused of having videotaped sex at his home with a 15-year-old girl. According to court documents, authorities believe the alleged liaison was arranged by his friend Aaron J. Burroughs, a former Bowie High School assistant football coach.

Burroughs also has been charged with sexually abusing the girl.

Malloy surrendered to authorities Friday and has been suspended from the Capitol Police force, where he has worked for 15 years. Burroughs, who was jailed last week, has been let go from his position as a coach at the high school. (AP)

WASHINGTON | MAYORAL RACE HEATS UP



WAVE PARTY: Washington mayoral candidate Marie Johns campaigns Tuesday at the intersection of Georgia Avenue and Piney Branch Road in Northwest, flanked by volunteer supporters Greta Kendrick, left, and Cheryl Benton.

Few Living Near Metro Use It

WASHINGTON | A new study by Metro found one in three people who live or work within a half-mile of a Metro station use the transit system every day. It says more than half of residents who live or work within a quarter-mile of a station choose public transportation instead of their cars. The numbers are on the rise from a similar survey in 1989. At that time, just 18 percent of those who worked near a Metro station reported using the system to get to work. (AP)

Council to Vote on Contract Approval

UPPER MARLBORO, MD. | The Prince George's County Council is scheduled to vote Thursday on a bill requiring legislative action to approve certain contracts after reports that County

Executive Jack Johnson has awarded contracts and jobs to his friends. Fifteen of Johnson's friends and supporters have gotten 51 county contracts since he took office. (AP)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, August 8

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	8-7-6
Evening Lucky Numbers	4-5-2
Mid-day DC 4	3-0-9-3
Evening DC 4	0-6-7-0
Rolling Cash Five	6-8-1-23-32

Daily 6	36-23-18-34-9-32 (26)
MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	7-8-3
Evening Pick 3	1-4-7
Mid-day Pick 4	8-4-0-0
Evening Pick 4	4-6-9-0
Match 5	6-8-30-34-39 (23)
VIRGINIA	

Mid-day Pick 3 (Tues.)	2-1-3
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	8-9-0
Mid-day Pick 4 (Tues.)	5-4-7-6
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	6-7-0-9
Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.)	1-11-15-24-34
Evening Cash 5 (Mon.)	5-15-22-30-33

All winning numbers are official only when validated at a lottery ticket location or a lottery claims office. Drawings that occur after Express's deadline will be published two days later.

Entertainment



SKYRUNNER: George Lucas will allow his 13-hour "Star Wars" saga to be shrunk to 20 minutes by the smarties of the Reduced Shakespeare Company. The British comedy group has condensed Shakespeare, the Bible and the history of America.

Stone Chooses Heart

Oliver Stone tackles a big subject, and not a moment too soon

FILM | The question regarding "World Trade Center," as we near the five-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, is not a matter of the film's timing or whether the audience is ready for it. The real question is whether the film is accurate, whether it's effective, whether it's a fitting, moving tribute to the people who died and to those who found a way to survive. In that regard, the answer is a resounding yes.

There is not a gratuitous minute in Oliver Stone's film, which recreates the endless hours in which two Port Authority police officers were trapped beneath the rubble of the Twin Towers and tracks the panic of their family and friends who waited anxiously for news of their rescue.

What Stone has come up with is an exceptionally crafted, strongly acted, high-end made-for-TV movie. It's visceral and intense, exceedingly faithful in its depiction of the fear and chaos, the ash and smoke, that enveloped New York. It can also knock you over with a moment as simple as two strangers hugging and crying over the unknown fate of their loved ones.



THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNEW IT: Nicolas Cage, right, stars as one of the heroes in Oliver Stone's moving, meticulously faithful "World Trade Center."

And yet it provides no insight, offers no political statement, doesn't even begin to broach the subject of terrorism. The closest it comes is in the image of a much younger-looking President Bush addressing the nation on TV, promising retribution.

The film approaches the overwhelming subject of Sept. 11 by telling the story of two brave men: Sgt. John McLoughlin (Nicolas Cage) and Officer Will Jimeno (Michael Pena), two of the first to enter the towers and two of the last to be pulled out 24 hours later.

John and Will, along with other police officers and firefighters, were in the concourse between the two towers when the rumbling began. They sought refuge in an elevator shaft; they ultimately found themselves in a living hell.

Screenwriter Andrea Berloff worked closely with the officers and their families and came up with a script that's full of big, profound moments and small, intimate details.

"World Trade Center," is a life-affirming celebration of humanity — of the possibility of kindness, teamwork, selflessness and love under the most horrific circumstances.

The world is ready to see that.

CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

Today's Top Stops

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DASHBOARD CONFSSIONAL Sweet Emotion

Modern rock fans and most citizens under 25 either adore or revile the Confessional, the emo titans behind over-wrought, highly fraught hits such as "Screaming Infidelities."

→ *DAR Constitution Hall, 1776 D St. NW; 7 p.m., \$26.50; 202-638-2661.*

ASIAN ART National Portraits

Through Sept. 4, the Smithsonian's Sackler Gallery presents "Facing East" — dozens of portraits of soldiers, nude women, deceased ancestors and others that collectively demonstrate differences between the countries between Egypt and Japan. Charles Freer's century-old Japanese art collection also remains on display.

→ *Sackler Gallery, 1050 Independence Ave. SW; 202-633-4880, asia.si.edu. (Smithsonian)*

CHICAGO VS. KANSAS May the Best Band Win

Chicago, from Chicago and gigging at Wolf Trap, is one of the most commercially successful acts in the history of American music, while Kansas, from Britain and set to get progressive at the Birchmere, penned the hits "Carry on Wayward Son" and "Dust in the Wind."

→ *Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., \$47.50; 703-549-7500.*
→ *Wolf Trap - Filene Center, 1551 Trap Road, Vienna; 8 p.m., \$25-\$42; 703-255-1868.*

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Eric Church embraces Merle Haggard on his winning debut major-label disc.

Church of the Stetson

North Carolina's Eric Church offers fresh mainstream country

MUSIC | It often seems that novice country singers are required to wear their beliefs on their sleeves, or at least trumpet them in their songs. North Carolina native Eric Church does just that on his enticing major-label debut album, "Sinners Line Me" (Capitol Nashville).

On the surface, he's part Bible-believing, parent-loving, hard-drinking hell-raiser; part sensitive modern cowboy. The juxtaposition lends the songs, which he wrote or co-wrote, great dimension.

The title song is a pulsing country rocker that casts him as the latest in a long family line of bad boys, but Church winds up widening the net to place his protagonist in the same boat as most of humanity. In "Pledge Allegiance to the Hag," he doffs his Stetson to Merle Haggard

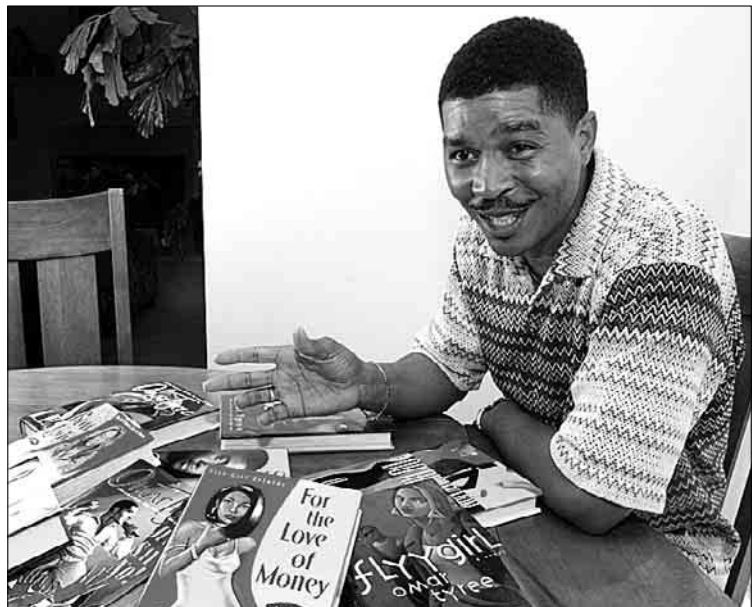
in an age when Garth Brooks seems to be the role model for many.

Some of his canniest writing shows up in "How 'Bout You," which lists his beliefs. But he punctuates each unequivocal statement with the title phrase, creating a dialogue rather than an argument.

Church brings a freshness to mainstream country. And anyone who can do that and still get on the radio deserves a hearty "Amen."

RANDY LEWIS (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

Entertainment



AMBITION: Called the "literary king of self-promotion" by Black Issues Book Review, Tyree hopes to move beyond novels and is working on a screenplay.

Either Hot Or Heavy

Omar Tyree's written many sexy books and a few he calls 'genius'

BOOKS | Omar Tyree insists he would rather be writing more of the books he deems "genius," works he compares with the novels of Nobel laureate Toni Morrison.

But readers want sex, he says. And so, Tyree delivers.

It's raw stuff with language for adults only. His latest book, "What They Want" is centered on model Terrance Mitchell, a man who wants a life with no commitments. Tyree takes him cross country for trysts of all kinds, including two menages a trois.

"This book is all about the sex, and Tyree's attempts to hang a plot on the carnal gymnastics only muck up the works," reads a Publishers Weekly review.

Clearly, this is not a book likely to influence judges for the Pulitzer Prize or the Nobel Prize in Literature. But it's a story that works for Tyree, a 37-year-old who

lives very comfortably in Charlotte, N.C., with his wife and two sons.

Among his 14 books, between all the sex, are novels Tyree calls his "genius" books: "For the Love of Money," a sequel to the overtly erotic "Fly Girl." And there's "Leslie," set in New Orleans and published before the city was devastated last year by Hurricane Katrina.

"That was genius work," Tyree said. "I'm dealing with urban poverty and how America didn't want to deal with it."

Despite his success and self-regard, Tyree's frustrated. "When you don't get interviews, when you can't get on television programs, when you can't get on radio, I can't discuss these things," he said. "And so that's really been my issue for years, not having the art taken seriously."

So, is "What They Want" to be taken seriously?

"I'll let somebody else judge that," its author said. "I know they're going to like the book because of the sexuality."

MARTHA WAGGONER (AP)

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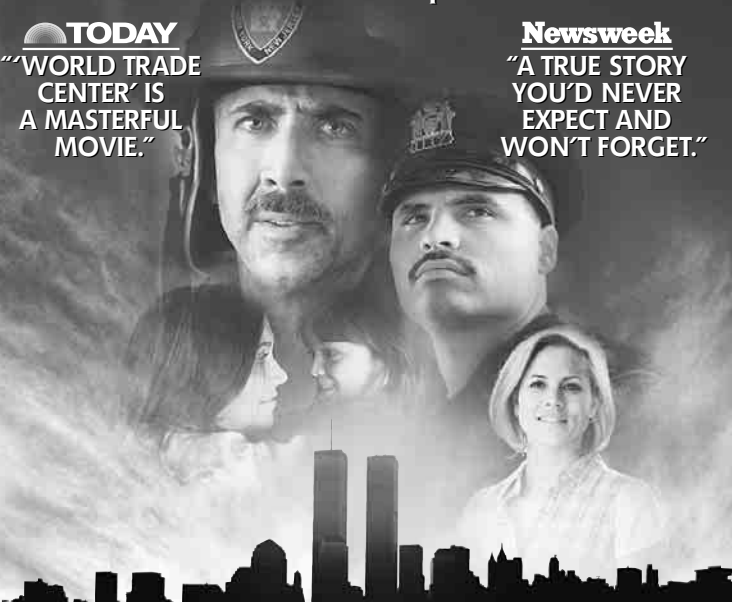
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THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 11:05, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00
CARS (G) 1:20



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) / 11:55, 2:25, 4:55, 7:20, 9:45
SCOOP (PG13) 11:35, 2:10, 4:45, 7:35, 10:05

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10

Loisdale and Franconia Road
703-971-3991

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) 1:20, 4:15, 7:10, 10:10
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 12:50, 3:30, 7:40
THE DESCENT (R) / 4:30, 10:15
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 7:45, 10:10
MIAMI VICE (R) 7:00, 10:00
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 3:15, 9:40
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:30, 7:00



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) / 1:10, 4:00

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE

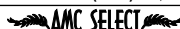
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BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:50, 10:00
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 1:10, 4:05, 7:00, 10:10
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 2:00, 4:25, 7:20, 9:30
CLERKS II (R) 1:50, 4:45, 7:40, 10:10
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 1:40, 4:35, 7:30, 10:00
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 1:20, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15
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THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:45

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14

3111 K Street, N.W.
202-342-6441

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) / 12:45, 1:45, 3:45, 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45
THE DESCENT (R) / 12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 7:15, 9:45
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 1:55, 4:35, 7:20, 10:00
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) / 1:05, 3:20, 5:35, 8:00, 10:20
MIAMI VICE (R) 12:35, 1:35, 3:40, 4:40, 6:45, 7:45, 9:55, 10:45
MIAMI VICE (R) 12:35, 3:40, 6:45, 9:55
CLERKS II (R) 4:40, 9:35
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) 2:05, 4:45
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 1:40, 4:15, 6:50, 9:40
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:15, 3:35, 7:00, 10:25
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 7:30, 10:15



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) / 12:50, 3:05, 5:20, 7:40, 10:05
SCOOP (PG13) 5:50, 8:15, 10:35
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) / 12:45, 2:05, 3:10, 5:40, 7:10, 8:10, 10:40

LOEWS UPTOWN 1

3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
202-333-3456

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) 12:30, 3:30, 7:00, 10:00

✓SPECIAL ENGAGEMENT No passes or discount coupons

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18

2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
703-998-4262

Madagascar (PG)
FREE Summer MovieCamp 10:30 AM
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) 12:25, 1:25, 3:30, 4:25, 6:35, 7:30, 9:30, 10:30
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 1:55, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20
THE DESCENT (R) / 1:20, 3:45, 6:30, 8:55
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 12:45, 1:45, 3:25, 4:30, 6:15, 7:15, 9:00, 10:00
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 1:50, 4:15, 6:40, 9:05
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 1:40, 4:10, 6:45, 9:10
MIAMI VICE (R) 12:30, 3:50, 7:00, 8:00, 10:05
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 2:30, 5:15, 8:00, 10:40
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:35
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) 5:00, 10:50
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:25, 9:55
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 2:00, 4:55, 7:35, 10:10
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:15, 3:45, 7:05, 10:20
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 2:35, 5:10, 7:45, 10:35
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 1:35, 7:30
CARS (G) 2:25, 5:10



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) / 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14

10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

Shrek 2 (PG)
FREE Summer MovieCamp 10:30 AM
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 8:00, 10:20
THE DESCENT (R) 12:05, 2:30, 5:00, 7:45, 10:25
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) 1:15, 4:15, 7:05, 9:55
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 12:55, 3:30, 5:55
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 1:10, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45
MIAMI VICE (R) 1:05, 4:05, 7:15, 10:30
CLERKS II (R) 1:50, 4:55, 7:25, 9:50
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 5:25, 8:05, 10:50
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 5:25, 8:05, 10:50
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 12:50, 3:20, 5:50, 8:10, 10:35
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 12:35, 5:35, 10:40
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 2:55, 7:55
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:10, 3:25, 6:50, 10:15
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 1:45, 4:50, 7:35, 10:05
CARS (G) 12:00, 2:35
CARS (G) 12:00, 2:35



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) 1:55, 4:40, 7:10, 9:45
SCOOP (PG13) 8:20, 10:55

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8

8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

CLERKS II (R) 12:45, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
MY SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG13) 1:30, 4:45, 7:50, 9:55
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 1:15, 4:05, 7:10, 10:10
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG13) 12:00, 3:30, 6:45, 9:50
CLICK (PG13) 7:30, 9:55
CARS (G) 1:45, 4:30
THE DA VINCI CODE (PG13) 12:30, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00



STRANGERS WITH CANDY (R) 1:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:05
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) 12:15, 2:30, 5:15, 7:55, 10:00

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12

800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220 844

Madagascar (PG)
FREE Summer MovieCamp 10:30 AM
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) 1:40, 4:35, 7:40, 10:40
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) 2:15, 4:45, 7:10, 9:40
THE DESCENT (R) 12:50, 2:10, 3:10, 4:40, 5:40, 7:00, 8:10, 9:30, 10:30
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 1:25, 4:00
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:10
MIAMI VICE (R) 1:20, 2:05, 4:20, 5:00, 7:20, 8:00, 10:20, 10:50
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 7:50, 10:25
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 2:25, 4:55, 7:25, 9:55
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 2:30, 5:05, 7:30, 10:05
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 2:30, 5:05, 7:30, 10:05
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:40, 3:55, 7:05, 10:15



LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7

2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

SCOOP (PG13) 1:10, 4:40, 7:40, 9:40
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) 1:00, 1:50, 3:40, 4:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30
SHADOWBOXER (R) 2:00, 4:20, 7:50, 10:00
WORDPLAY (PG) 1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:20
A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION (PG13) 1:20, 3:50, 7:00, 9:20
AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH (PG) 1:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:30



AMC TYSONS CORNER 16

7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

Madagascar (PG)
FREE Summer MovieCamp 10:30 AM
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) / 10:35, 12:05, 1:30, 3:05, 4:30, 6:10, 7:40, 9:10, 10:35
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 11:00, 1:10, 3:40, 5:35, 7:55, 10:10
THE DESCENT (R) / 11:25, 1:40, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 10:40, 12:00, 1:35, 2:40, 4:15, 5:25, 7:00, 8:10, 9:35, 10:50
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 11:10, 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50, 10:00
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 10:45, 12:50, 3:00, 5:15, 7:35, 9:50
MIAMI VICE (R) 11:30, 12:55, 2:30, 4:05, 5:45, 7:20, 8:50, 10:25
MIAMI VICE (R) 11:30, 2:30, 5:45, 8:50
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 12:40 PM, 10:30 PM
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 10:50, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 9:55
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 10:45, 2:15, 3:45, 5:20, 7:15, 8:35
THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 11:15, 1:45, 4:25, 7:30, 10:15



THE NIGHT LISTENER (R) / 11:05, 1:15, 3:25, 5:50, 8:25, 10:45
SCOOP (PG13) 1:25, 3:40, 5:55, 8:15, 10:40

AMC RIVERTOWNE 12

Exit 4A I-95, 1/2 mi. on Oxon Hill Rd.
703-998-44MC

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) / 1:10, 4:35, 7:45
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 12:30, 3:10, 5:45, 8:20
THE DESCENT (R) / 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 4:10, 7:20
THE ANT BULLY (PG) 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 3:00, 5:25, 8:05
MIAMI VICE (R) 12:30, 1:40, 4:50, 4:40, 7:00, 7:40
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 1:50, 4:50, 7:30
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 12:35, 3:15, 5:40, 8:10
LITTLE MAN (PG13) 1:20, 4:20, 7:00
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN'S CHEST (PG13) 12:45, 4:00, 7:20

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8

Courthouse and Birch Rd.
703-998-44MC

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) / 12:15, 1:00, 3:15, 4:00, 6:15, 7:00, 9:15, 10:00
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:15
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG13) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:05
CLERKS II (R) 4:15, 9:20
LADY IN THE WATER (PG13) 9:45 PM
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:10, 7:20
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG13) 1:30, 6:30
CARS (G) 1:15, 4:05, 6:45, 9:30



A SCANNER DARKLY (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6

Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
703-998-44MC

WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG13) / 1:00, 4:15, 7:00, 9:55
BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS (PG) / 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG13) / 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
MIAMI VICE (R) 1:15, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15



REALITY IS THE WORD: That musical chestnut “Grease” is heading back to Broadway, this time with an assist from reality TV. NBC will broadcast a talent contest to find the next Sandy, Danny and Rizzo. As if anyone can fill Stockard Channing’s shoes.

Entertainment

Getting the Bugs Out

‘The Exterminators’ colorfully examines the insects inside

COMIC BOOKS | Sometimes it’s hard to distinguish the vile pests from the vile humans in “The Exterminators” initial graphic novel, “Bug Brothers.”

Vertigo Comics strikes again with its gritty and gruesome story of a motley crew of pest exterminators working at the Los Angeles Bug-Bee-Gone firm in their quest to rid the world of foul creatures.

This collection, which includes the first five issues, begins with Henry and A.J. as they go on some jobs, combating giant rats, swarm-

ing roaches and vicious raccoons. Henry is an ex-con working the family business. You follow his experiences dealing with some unique and vulgar characters. His partner A.J., for example, is a particularly wretched individual, with an appearance that makes him one slight evolutionary step from the rats he’s fighting.

Writer Simon Oliver, a newcomer to the comic-book field, has written a brilliantly disgusting tale with equally repellent characters. You will believe, while gulping in revulsion, that a man can be eaten alive by roaches.

Joining Oliver is artist Tony Moore, who has the difficult task of making the mundane provocative.



ROACHES UNDERFOOT: The workers at Bug-Bee-Gone fight an uphill battle.

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No one creation looks like another. But it’s his uncanny ability to portray the grotesque that makes him the perfect choice for “The Exterminators.” Moore is a throwback to the E.C. Comics artists of the 1940s and ’50s who worked on titles with colorful names like “Tales From the Crypt,” “Weird Science” and “Two-Fisted Tales.”

And you really have to respect an artist who has to draw millions of roaches, not to mention some flat-out disgusting scenes.

“The Exterminators” is an engrossing read that is completely unpredictable. Comics like this show why Vertigo is the pre-eminent comic-book line. The story draws you in, the art makes you queasy, and it has just the right amount of horror, comedy and realism so that you’ll believe this is possible while you’re turning your head at the gross reality swarming inside this graphic novel.

SCOTT ROSENBERG (EXPRESS)

REGAL ENTERTAINMENT GROUP

GALLERY PLACE STADIUM 14
701 Seventh St NW 800-FANDANGO 1721#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (1150 1230 300 400) 615 720

DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 235 505) 745 1010
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (335) 950
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1145 920 1020)

BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1200 215 435) 700 915
MIAMI VICE (DTS-CSS/AUDIO) (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210) 635
ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (1140 200 415) 705 940
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1235 315 545) 800 1035
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 310 410) 730 935 1035
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1155 1245 225 325 450) 625 710 950 955
LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1225 250 530) 810 1040
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1240 355) 710 1025
DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE (PG-13) DIG (1255) 655

BALLSTON COMMON STADIUM 12
Glebe Rd, Arlington 800-FANDANGO 377#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DCI QUATERFINALS (NCM EVENT) (NR) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET (NCM EVENT) (R) - ID REQ'D ★

DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 255 515) 755 1025
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 250 510) 730 950
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1200 240 455) 720 940
SCOOP (PG-13) DIG (1145 215 500) 740 1010
ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (1205 225 445) 705
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (105 200 410 905) 715 815 1015
SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG 930
LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (1140 230 450) 710 1000
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1210 110 335 435) 700 800 1030
SUPERMAN RETURNS (PG-13) DIG (1155 315) 640 1005

BOWIE STADIUM 14
15200 Major Lansdale Blvd 800-FANDANGO 454#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (1230 350) 710 1030
DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 215 415 500) 715 800 1000 1040

TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1245 130 345 435) 650 735 950 1035
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1155 220 445) 740 1005
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 420) 740 1005
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1220 120 330 440) 700 810 1025
ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (115 410) 725 1015
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (135 420) 720 1010
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1145 210 430) 710 935
LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (110 405) 720 1020
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1205 340) 705 1030

Free Family Film Festival - Today 10AM

BETHESDA 10
7272 Wisconsin Avenue 800-FANDANGO 569#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (1230 350) 710 1030
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (140 450) 730 945
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1240 720 1000)

ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (1210 440) 700
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (110 340) 740 950
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1250 350) 710 1010
LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG 940
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (150 400) 650 920
YOU, ME AND DUPREE (PG-13) DIG (1255) 645
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1205 800)

DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE (PG-13) DIG (130 415) 725 1015
SUPER EX-GIRLFRIEND (PG-13) DIG (330) 930

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POTOMAC YARD STADIUM 16
3575 Jefferson Davis Hwy 800-FANDANGO 690#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (1225 125 325 425) 625 725

MONSTER HOUSE 3D (DIGITAL) (PG) DIG (1115 140 405) 630 855
MIAMI VICE (DTS-CSS/AUDIO) (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245) 655
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1120 1200 200 240 440 520) 720 800 1000 1040

DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 150 230 430 510) 700 740
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 210 450) 730 950
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1205 225 445) 715 935
ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (135 415) 640 900
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1250 310 530) 750 1020
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (145 350 455) 755 1005
LITTLE MAN (PG-13) DIG (130 410) 650 920
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1220 345) 710 1035

DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE (PG-13) DIG (155 435) 735 1015

COUNTRYSIDE STADIUM 20
45980 Regal Plaza 800-FANDANGO 394#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
MONSTER HOUSE 3D (DIGITAL) (PG) DIG (1120 150 400) 650 915
MIAMI VICE (DTS-CSS/AUDIO) (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (120) 710
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (1100 100 200 410 510) 720 820 1030

DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 420) 730 1000
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 230 530) 750 1035
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1110 1210 100 200 300 350 450 550) 640 740 840 930 1030

BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1140 110 210 340 440) 620 720 850 940
SCOOP (PG-13) DIG (130 415) 715 945
ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (1100 115 345) 645 900
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1105 140 445) 745 1010
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1115 220 410 510) 820 1015
LADY IN THE WATER (PG-13) DIG 655 950
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1245 300 515) 725 955
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1150 1250 330 430) 700 800 1020

DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE (PG-13) DIG (1215 315) 635 920
CARS (G) DIG (1230 310)

Free Family Film Festival - Today 10AM

ROCKVILLE CENTER STADIUM 13
Rockville Town Center 800-FANDANGO 248#
Free Theatre Parking- Monroe Street Garage
Weeknights after 6 PM all day Saturday/Sunday

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 250 520) 740 1005
NIGHT LISTENER, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 230 440) 800 1020
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1140 200 435) 655 910
SCOOP (PG-13) DIG (1220 240 515) 755 1015

ANT BULLY, THE (PG) DIG (1205 235 450)
JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE (PG-13) DIG (1210 220 445) 735 950
MIAMI VICE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 410) 715 1025
MONSTER HOUSE (PG) DIG (1230 245 510) 730 950
PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN: DEAD MAN (PG-13) DIG (1235 355) 720 1035

DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE (PG-13) DIG 710 940
WORLD TRADE CENTER (PG-13) DIG (125 205 420 500) 715 805 1010
TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1130 130 215 415 500) 700 745 945 1030

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
4110 W Ox Road 800-FANDANGO 670#

Adv. Tix on Sale SNAKES ON A PLANE (R) - ID REQ'D ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DCI QUATERFINALS (NCM EVENT) (NR) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET (NCM EVENT) (R) - ID REQ'D ★

TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RIC (PG-13) DIG (1100 1145 145 230 415 515) 715 800 950 1030
DESCENT, THE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 200 430) 740 1010
BARNYARD (PG) DIG (1115 130 400) 720 940
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Beach Blanket Bloopers

Tune in to sun, sand and say what? on a new 'Overheard' site

SURFING | At Overheardatthebeach.com, eavesdropping gets its day in the sun.

The Web site is a summer special from the series that began with Overheardinnewyork.com, which caught snippets from passers-by on the streets of the Big Apple, and followed with Overheardintheoffice.com, that brought watercooler chit-chat into the conversation.

Each of the three sites takes submitted quotes from anyone who makes the effort. If your quote passes muster — and if you weren't a part of the conversation — it will pop up on the Web site.

Recently overheard on a Long Island beach was a woman who yells to her husband, “Murray! Cover up! Your business is hanging out of your



People let down their guard at the beach — and one Web site is listening.

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bathing suit!”

The husband replies, nonplussed, “That business closed down years ago.”

Another interaction, overheard on Georgia’s Tybee Island, begins with a father asking his little girl: “What grows in the marsh, baby?”

Little girl: “Marshmallows?”

Father, turning to mother: “You want her to go to what college?”

Overheardatthebeach and its brethren are in this way a compendium of the absurdities of conversation — snapshots of reality comedy, sometimes perceived only by an outsider.

So next time you’re sunning on the beach, that guy with a metal detector might be fishing for more than coins. JAKE COYLE (AP)

COURTESY OVERHEARDATTHEBEACH



SINGLE IN THE CITY: Debra Messing, lately of "Will & Grace," is coming back to the small screen, starring in a made-for-TV adaptation of chick-lit author Gigi Levangie Grazer's novel "The Starter Wife." The six-hour television event will air on USA.

No Fourth Chance

The short, unhappy life of Mel Gibson's TV producer career

MANY PIES | As expansive as he can be on many other subjects — perhaps you've lately gleaned some of his random musings on Judaism — Mel Gibson has been shy in discussing his TV career.

The 50-year-old actor-director does have a TV production resume, although he may have hurled it down a rat hole, along with the remnants of his matinee-idol status, after his anti-Semitic tirade during a DUI arrest last month.



Despite the star's involvement, Gibson's "Complete Savages" flopped on ABC.

In fall 2003, Gibson himself attended a meeting at ABC to pitch his family sitcom “Complete Savages,” which was sold as a semi-autobiographical account of the star’s raising a large brood. But the series tanked and was canceled after one season.

Gibson's two other TV projects from 2004-05, CBS' baseball drama "Clubhouse" and UPN's legal/family drama "Kevin Hill," suffered similar fates.

ABC never complained publicly about the slow pace of progress on the Holocaust project until after his Malibu meltdown. "Is there anything Mel Gibson can't do?" *Newsweek* marveled in 2004. Now the question is what Mel actually does to earn all those accolades.

SCOTT COLLINS (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

ON TV TONIGHT

THE ONE TENOR

GREAT PERFORMANCES (8 p.m., PBS)
presents "Vittorio: Dreams of Rome"
taped at Hadrian's Villa.

FINALLY, IT'S A FAIR FIGHT
PROJECT RUNWAY (10 p.m., Bravo)
 Competition and elimination.

ROCK ON, ROCKERS!
ROCK STAR: SUPERNOVA (8 p.m., CBS) The
 rockin'gest rockers rock righteously.

IT TAKES FOUR TO TANGLE
The top four tangle in the two-part finale of **SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE** (9 p.m., Fox).

TONIGHT: DOES YOUR CHEWING GUM LOSE ITS FLAVOR ...?
MYTHBUSTERS (9 p.m., Discovery) looks into an experiment immortalized on a short Internet film. Just what happens



KABOOM: "Mythbusters" team member Kari Byron looks pretty, blows things up.

when you combine a diet soft drink and a popular breath mint? In another segment, hosts Adam and Jamie look into the assumption that a postage stamp stuck on the blades of a helicopter will send it into a tailspin. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	WTTG	5	Seinfeld ⚡		The Simpsons ⚡		The Simpsons ⚡		Seinfeld ⚡		House "Sleeping Dogs Lie" ⚡		Bones "Two Bodies in the Lab"		News		News		Geraldo at Large							
	WJLA	7	News		ABC Wld News		Wheel of Fortune		Jeopardy! ⚡		According to Jim		According to Jim		Boston Legal "Helping Hands" ⚡		News		(35) Nightline							
	WUSA	9	News		CBS News		9News Tonight		Entertainment		Big Brother: All-Stars (N) ⚡		Rock Star: Supernova (N) ⚡		48 Hours Mystery ⚡		News		Late Show							
	WDCA	20	King of the Hill ⚡		That '70s Show		That '70s Show		Every-Raymond		Veronica Mars "The Rapes of Graft"		Veronica Mars "Plan B" ⚡		The Tyra Banks Show (N) ⚡		Girlfriends		Girlfriends							
	WMPT	22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Business Rpt.		Outdoors		Nova Scientists search for life in the universe. ⚡ (DVS)		Nova ⚡ (DVS)		Vertical Frontier													
	WETA	26	BBC World News		Business Rpt.		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Rich Dad's Guide to Wealth With Robert Kiyosaki Wealth-building strategies.		Roy Orbison & Friends: A Black and White Night ⚡		Pennington													
	WHUT	32	World Business		Tavis Smiley ⚡		BBC World News		Moneywise		Mystery! ⚡ (DVS)		Forsaken Fields		BBC World News		Tavis Smiley ⚡		Charlie Rose (N) ⚡							
WDCW	50	My Wife and Kids		Bernie Mac		My Wife and Kids		Bernie Mac		Gilmore Girls "The Perfect Dress" ⚡		Gilmore Girls ⚡		Friends ⚡		Friends ⚡		Sex and the City		Sex and the City						
BASIC CABLE	A&E		Cold Case Files			Crossing Jordan "Thin Ice" ⚡		Bounty Hunter		Bounty Hunter		Dog the Bounty Hunter Wedding. (N)		Dog the Bounty Hunter (N) ⚡		Gene Simmons		Gene Simmons								
	Animal		The Crocodile Hunter Diaries			The Most Extreme "Daredevils"		The Most Extreme "Living Dead"		Weird Nature Symbiotic relationships.		Miami Animal Police		The Most Extreme "Living Dead"												
	BET		106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live			Movie Special (N)		*** "Paid in Full" (2002, Crime Drama) Wood Harris, Mekhi Phifer. ⚡		Comicview		Jamie Foxx		Jamie Foxx												
	Bravo		America's Got Talent ⚡			The West Wing "The Ticket" ⚡		Work Out		Work Out (N) ⚡		Queer Eye for the Straight Guy (N)		Work Out												
	Comedy		*** "The Big Lebowski" (1998) Jeff Bridges, John Goodman. ⚡			Daily Show		Colbert Report		Chappelle's Show		South Park		Chappelle's Show		Reno 911! ⚡		Daily Show								
	Court		Forensic Files		Forensic Files		Cops ⚡		Cops ⚡		Cops ⚡		Cops ⚡		The Investigators		Masterminds		Masterminds							
	Discovery		How It's Made		How It's Made		Extreme Engineering		Dirty Jobs "Micro Algae Man" ⚡		Dirty Jobs "Coal Miner" Coal mining.		Stunt Junkies		Stunt Junkies		Oil, Sweat and Rigs		Oil, Sweat and Rigs							
	DISCH		Paramedics			Trauma: Life in the ER		First Days "First Day" ⚡		Untold Stories of the E.R.		Strictly Dr. Drew Preventive. (N)		First Days "First Day" ⚡												
	Disney		That's So Raven		Zack & Cody		Phil of the Future		That's So Raven		"Read It and Weep" (2006, Comedy) Kay Panabaker, Danielle Panabaker.		American Drgn		American Drgn		Zack & Cody		That's So Raven							
	E!		Forbes Celebrity 100			E! News (N)		The Daily 10 (N)		Sexiest Red carpet.		True Hollywood Story		Girl Next Door		Girl Next Door		E! News		The Daily 10						
	FX		King of the Hill ⚡		That '70s Show		That '70s Show		*** "Hellboy" (2004) Ron Perlman. Premiere. The son of the devil fights paranormal creatures.		Rescue Me "Retards" (N)		(:05) Rescue Me "Retards"													
	HGTV		Renovation		If Walls Could		What's-House?		House Hunters		Designed to Sell		Bad, Bad Bath		Decorating Cents		Curb Appeal (N)		House Hunters		Buy Me ⚡		Parents House		Designer Finals	
	Family		7th Heaven "Gossip" ⚡			7th Heaven "Tunes" ⚡		*** "Mrs. Doubtfire" (1993) Robin Williams. An estranged dad poses as a nanny to be with his children. ⚡		The 700 Club																
	History		Modern Marvels: Dangerous Cargo			Modern Marvels: Gas Tech		Band of Brothers ⚡		(:25) Band of Brothers ⚡		Sink the Tirpitz Sinking a German battleship. ⚡														
	Lifetime		Reba ⚡		Reba ⚡		"A Trick of the Mind" (2006) Paul Johansson, Alexandra Holden. ⚡		*** "The Ticket" (1997, Suspense) Shannen Doherty, James Marshall. ⚡		Will & Grace ⚡		Will & Grace ⚡													
	MTV		My Own (N) ⚡		Room Raiders (N)		Sucker Free ⚡		Super Sweet		Super Sweet		The Real World		The Real World		Paris (N) ⚡		Final Fu ⚡		Next ⚡					
	NICK		Ned's School		Danny Phantom		Fairly OddParents		Jimmy Neutron		SpongeBob		Zoey 101		Full House		Hi-Jinks (N) ⚡		Roseanne		(:35) Roseanne ⚡		(:10) Roseanne ⚡		(:45) Roseanne ⚡	
	SCI FI		Stargate SG-1 "Heroes" ⚡			Dead Like Me "My Room" ⚡		Dead Like Me George's first kiss. ⚡		Eureka "Alienated" (N) ⚡		ECW (Live) ⚡		(:05) Eureka "Alienated" ⚡												
	SPIKE		World's Wildest Police Videos			CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ⚡		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation ⚡		**** "Goldfinger" (1964, Action) Sean Connery. Agent 007 fights Oddjob and a madman's Fort Knox scheme. ⚡																
	TBS		Seinfeld ⚡		Seinfeld ⚡		Every-Raymond		Every-Raymond		Friends ⚡		Friends ⚡		Sex and the City		(:35) Sex and the City "One" ⚡		(:20) Seinfeld		(10:50) Seinfeld		(:20) Captain Ron			
TLC		While You Were Out			Overhaulin' "Junk in the Trunk"		Rides Working on a Camaro.		Overhaulin' "Chip & Chris Flipped" (N)		Miami Ink (N)		Overhaulin' "Chip & Chris Flipped"													
TNT		Law & Order "Couples" ⚡			Without a Trace "Doppelganger" ⚡		Law & Order "Bitch" ⚡ (DVS)		Law & Order "The Ring" ⚡		Law & Order "Hitman" ⚡ (DVS)		Cold Case "Disco Inferno" ⚡													
USA		(5:00) *** "Jeepers Creepers 2"			Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		*** "Bring It On" (2000, Comedy) Kirsten Dunst, Eliza Dushku. ⚡		Dunst, Eliza Dushku. ⚡		(:05) Law & Order: Criminal Intent ⚡													
VHI		Reality Secrets Revealed 2 ⚡			Celebrity Fit Club ⚡		40 Greatest Pranks ⚡				The Flavor of Love ⚡		*** Juice (1992)													
SPAN	TELEM		Sala de Parejas		Noti-Telemndo		Viuda de Blanco		Tierra de Pasiones		Amores de Mercado		Decisiones		Noti-Telemndo		Laura									
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SPORTS	ESPN		SportsCenter (Live) ⚡			World Series of Darts (N)		2006 World Series of Poker (Taped)		2006 World Series of Poker (Taped)		The Contender (N)		SportsCenter (Live) ⚡												
	ESPN2		Mike and Mike		Around the Horn		Interruption		ATP Tennis U.S. Open Series - Rogers Cup Early Round - Day 2. (Live)		WNBA Basketball		Minnesota Lynx at Phoenix Mercury. (Live) ⚡		Streetball ⚡											
	CSN		In Focus on FSN		SportsNite		WNBA Basketball San Antonio Silver Stars at Washington Mystics. (Live)		Victor Awards XL From Honolulu.		SportsNite (Live) ⚡		WNBA Weekly		Final Score											
NEWS	CNN		Lou Dobbs Tonight			The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now		Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360														
	FNC		Special Report (Live) ⚡			The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live) ⚡		Hannity & Colmes (Live) ⚡		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor												
	MSNBC		Tucker			Hardball		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		Scarborough Country		MSNBC Inv: The Vampire Killings		MSNBC Investigates: The Runaways												
MOVIES	AMC		(5:15) *** "Hidalgo" (2004, Adventure) Viggo Mortensen. 'PG-13' ⚡					*** "El Dorado" (1967, Western) John Wayne, Robert Mitchum, James Caan. 'NR' ⚡		(:45) *** "El Dorado" (1967) John Wayne. 'NR' ⚡																
	TCM		(:15) *** "The Dark Command" (1940, Western) John Wayne. 'NR' ⚡					*** "The Desperadoes" (1943) Glenn Ford. 'NR'		*** "Key Largo" (1948) Humphrey Bogart. 'NR'		(:15) *** "Murder, My Sweet"														
	HBO		(5:30) *** "Without Limits" (1998) Billy Crudup. ⚡			*** "Chicken Run" (2000) Voices of Mel Gibson. 'G'		*** "Mr. & Mrs. Smith" (2005, Action) Brad Pitt. ⚡ 'PG-13' ⚡		Deadwood "Amateur Night" ⚡																
	MAX		Independence		(:35) *** "Critters 4" (1992) Don Oppel. ⚡ 'PG-13' ⚡		*** "Hide and Seek" (2005, Suspense) Robert De Niro. ⚡ 'R' ⚡		*** "Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous" (2005) Sandra Bullock. ⚡																	
	SHOW		(4:30) City Hall 'R'		*** "Dallas 362" (2003) Scott Caan. 'TV. ⚡ 'R' ⚡		(:15) * "National Lampoon's Dorm Daze" (2003) Tatyana Ali. 'R' ⚡		Sexual Healing Stress and overwork.		Brotherhood "Matthew 12:25" (iTV)															
	TMC		(:05) *** "Return to Paradise" (1998, Drama) Vince Vaughn. ⚡ 'R' ⚡			"Shooting Gallery" (2005) Freddie Prinze Jr. 'R' ⚡		(:45) *** "The Final Cut" (2004) Robin Williams. ⚡ 'PG-13' ⚡		*** Sheena 'PG'																
	STARZ!		(5:35) *** "The Last Shot" (2004) ⚡		(:15) *** "Elif" (2003, Comedy) Will Ferrell, James Caan. ⚡ 'PG' ⚡		*** "Sky High" (2005) Michael Angarano. ⚡ 'PG' ⚡		(:40) *** "Lords of Dogtown" (2005) Emile Hirsch. ⚡																	
ENCORE		(:15) *** "The Forgotten" (2004, Suspense) Julianne Moore. ⚡ 'PG-13' ⚡			*** "Hostage" (2005, Action) Bruce Willis, Kevin Pollak. ⚡ 'R' ⚡		*** "Fair Game" (1995) Cindy Crawford. ⚡ 'R' ⚡		(:35) Road House																	

CALLING AN AUDIBLE: Bengals fans annoyed by bad behavior in the stands can now report it by cell phone. (513) 381-JERK will be the hot line available to notify security officials of unruly conduct. A video promoting the new service will shown at home games.



Sports

In Brief

NATIONALS

Right-Handed Reliever Chris Schroder Joins Nats' Bullpen

The Washington Nationals purchased right-hander Chris Schroder's contract from Triple-A New Orleans on Tuesday, with the reliever taking the roster spot of traded pitcher Livan Hernandez. Schroder was 2-1 with one save and a 1.52 ERA in 28 appearances at New Orleans this season, allowing only one earned run in his last 18.2 innings. He was the organization's minor league pitcher of the month in July. (AP)



Senior co-captain Deyon Williams will be out indefinitely following surgery.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

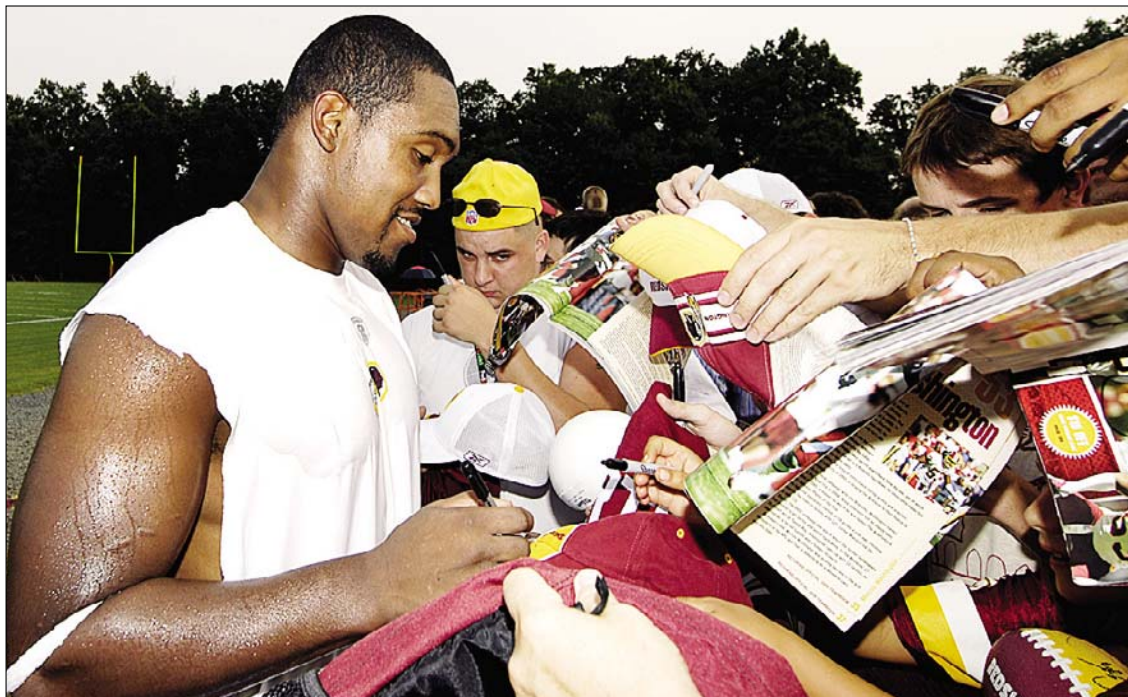
Cavaliers Co-Captain Will Undergo Surgery on His Foot

Virginia's top wide receiver, senior co-captain Deyon Williams, will undergo surgery Friday for a stress fracture in his foot and will be sidelined indefinitely, coach Al Groh said Tuesday. The 6-foot-3, 185-pound Williams had 58 catches for 767 yards and seven touchdowns last year. He practiced over the weekend but complained about soreness in his foot, and X-rays revealed the fracture. (AP)

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Catholic Lacrosse Forfeits 3 Games After Investigation

Catholic University forfeited three women's lacrosse games and will place the team on probationary status for the 2006-07 school year following an investigation of an off-campus freshman initiation party. The team forfeited three games from the 2006 season that took place after the party. The probationary status means the team will be under greater scrutiny this year. (AP)



SIGNING UP: Marcus Washington signs autographs after practice. The linebacker is an integral cog in the Redskins defense.

A Study in Solid Defense

Redskins linebacker Washington uses flash cards to learn the plays

REDSKINS | Maybe it's the flash cards.

OK, so there are lots of reasons why Marcus Washington is a leader of the Washington Redskins defense. He's smart, upbeat, hard-working and talented. All the elements of a too-good-to-be-true story were already on display when linebackers coach Dale Lindsey happened upon one of the player's little secrets during a team meeting.

"I opened his notebook one day and wondered why he knew

everything," Lindsey said. "He takes cards, draws the formation, and he studies that."

He'll study them at any opportune moment: When a commercial comes on while watching television in his room, there's a decent chance that Washington will break out his cards.

If every player were this conscientious, the NFL wouldn't need so many coaches. After a recent practice, Lindsey was asked to give an assessment of nearly every linebacker on the roster. Lindsey is as blunt as they come when addressing a player's fault, yet the coach had nothing negative to say about Washington.

"Nobody works harder, longer," Lindsey said. "And he will do exactly what you want."

Assistant coach Gregg Williams added this complement: "I don't know what he's on, but he is the most positive, fun loving, good personality."

Washington's work ethic is practically a how-to example for young players, yet Lindsey is puzzled that none of the other linebackers at training camp appears to be emulating it.

"I don't see it," Lindsey said. "Maybe they're hiding it from me."

Or maybe they need some flash cards. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

Goodell Chosen to Lead NFL

Team owners select the league's No. 2 man as the new commissioner

FOOTBALL | Roger Goodell was chosen as the NFL's next commissioner Tuesday, succeeding the man who groomed him, Paul Tagliabue.

The 47-year-old Goodell worked his way from a public relations intern to perhaps the most powerful job in American sports. He was unanimously elected by the league's 32 owners on the fifth ballot.

Goodell becomes the league's fourth commissioner since 1946.

"We've had the two greatest sports commissioners in the history of professional sports, Paul Tagliabue and Pete Rozelle, and I was fortunate to work for both of them," Goodell said. "I look forward to the challenge and thank them again for their confidence."

Tagliabue served 17 years, and during that time the league's revenues have skyrocketed. The NFL will collect about \$10 billion in TV rights fees during the next six years.

DAVE GOLDBERG (AP)



Goodell

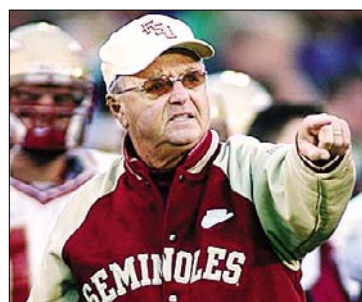
Right-Hand Man: Roger Goodell helped make the NFL into the cash cow it is today | **Today's Post, Sports**

Parity Finally Finds Its Way to ACC

A half-dozen teams could challenge for the league title this year

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | The way Bobby Bowden sees it, there are always going to be at least four teams entering each season as legitimate candidates for an Atlantic Coast Conference championship.

"You say Miami, you say Florida



Bobby Bowden and the Seminoles have won 12 of the last 14 ACC titles.

State, you say Virginia Tech, probably all three of them every year," Bowden said. "Then there's usually at least one other team right there."

Parity may have finally hit the ACC — the league Florida State has dominated since its arrival, with last year representing the 12th time in 14 seasons that the Seminoles marched off with the league title.

There's no shortage of teams entering this season believing they

are true ACC title contenders.

Miami has fallen short of the league-title goal in each of its first two ACC seasons. Nonetheless, the Hurricanes — who lost nine players in the NFL draft and are coming off a disappointing-by-their-standards 9-3 year — are considered by many the favorite this fall.

Virginia Tech, Clemson, Boston College, Georgia Tech — and the Seminoles, of course — all appear to have enough talent to contend along with the Hurricanes for top honors. TIM REYNOLDS (AP)

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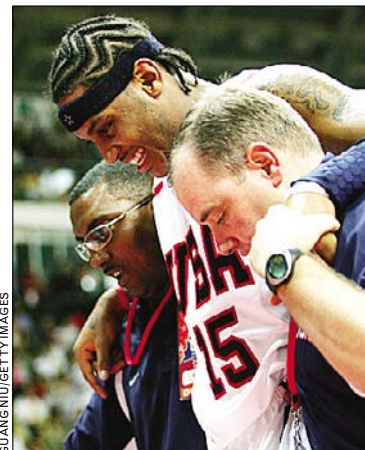
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Sports



Carmelo Anthony is helped off the court after injuring his knee against Brazil.

U.S. Is Handed 1st Scare

Sans Anthony, national team holds on for a 90-86 win over Brazil

BASKETBALL | After a pair of big blowouts, the U.S. finally got some competition.

The Americans also got a reality check: Facing the world's best basketball teams without Carmelo Anthony is far from an easy task.

Anthony scored 16 first-half points before being forced out with a knee injury, and the United States hung on for a 90-86 victory over Brazil on Tuesday night.

The Denver Nuggets forward set the early scoring pace, but slipped while chasing a ball to the sideline with 2:21 left in the second quarter. He crashed into coach Mike Krzyzewski and left the game with a hyperextended right knee.

"The injury doesn't look like it's serious," Krzyzewski said.

Kirk Hinrich added 14 points for the Americans, who led 52-38 at halftime. Brazil staged a big comeback while Anthony sat out the rest of the game.

"I think this is a great game for us and we needed this," said Atlanta Hawks guard Joe Johnson. "We needed to be tested, and tonight we showed a lot of pride."

CHRISTOPHER BODEEN (AP)



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ROLLING OVER: A soccer club in Stuttgart, Germany is fuming after a Rolling Stones concert last week left its field unplayable. The pitch will have to be relaid before Saturday.



Sports

This Team Is the Real Deal

United challenges the world's most decorated club tonight in Seattle

UNITED | Few clubs around the world possess the kind of cachet that would convince a team in the middle of its regular season to give up a few days off, travel thousands of miles and play an exhibition at a neutral venue. But then again, a record nine European championships exert a lot of pull.

And so D.C. United, which otherwise would have been in the middle of a welcome two-week break, is in Seattle tonight to play Spanish giants Real Madrid at Qwest Field. The match was arranged when Madrid, which came to the U.S. to play its Salt Lake City namesake next weekend, expressed interest in a second game out west.

D.C. was available and decided to play, even though it required competing far from its own fans.

"We would have loved to play at RFK," United's Jaime Moreno said. "It's not going to be easy, but it's definitely going to be worth it."

Real Madrid is the most famous, most decorated club in the world. Its continental titles (the most recent in 2002) sit alongside three world championships, 29 Spanish championships and 17 domestic cup titles.

The roster features marquee names (David Beckham, Ronaldo and Raul) and great players, like Italian national team captain Fabio



Raul, left, is one of the many high-profile names on the world power Real Madrid.

QUARANTA TRADED

D.C. United sent forward Santino Quaranta to L.A. on Tuesday

→ In exchange, the Galaxy gave United a partial allocation and a conditional 2008 draft pick. Quaranta was drafted by D.C. with the eighth overall pick in 2001 when he was just 16 years old.

Cannavaro and Brazilian sensations Robinho and Cicinho. Madrid has endured a bit of a drought recently, going an unprecedented three years without a title as its high-priced superstars have failed to mesh.

But its aura remains second to

none, as a team of MLS all-stars discovered last year in a 5-0 loss in the Spanish capital.

While Madrid likely will approach the game as preseason practice, United showed in last year's 2-1 loss to Chelsea and last month's 4-0 demolition of Celtic that it brings its best to these occasions.

"If we scrimmage 15-year-olds, they're going to work their butts off. It's similar," Moreno said. "We don't have the opportunity to play often with these big stars. We're going to take it as seriously as any other game. We definitely want to win."

BRIAN STRAUS

TODAY'S TV LINEUP

UNITED (11 P.M. ON COMCAST) In one of the biggest games of the year, United travels to Seattle to play world soccer power Real Madrid.

NATIONALS (7 P.M. ON MASN) The Marlins are in D.C., and Dontrelle Willis is set to take the mound against Ramon Ortiz for tonight's contest.

ORIOLES (12:30 P.M. ON MASN) Roy Halladay (13-3) is quietly having a phenomenal year in Toronto. The Orioles behind Erik Bedard (12-7) will find out just how good.

BASEBALL (1 P.M. ON TBS; 8 P.M. ON ESPN) Phillies at Braves and Yankees at White Sox.

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
N.Y. Yankees	66	42	.611	—	36-19	30-23
Boston	65	45	.591	2	35-17	30-28
Toronto	59	53	.527	9	37-23	22-30
Baltimore	50	63	.442	18.5	30-31	20-32
Tampa Bay	47	66	.416	21.5	29-26	18-40

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Detroit	76	36	.679	—	37-17	39-19
Chicago	65	45	.591	10	34-20	31-25
Minnesota	65	46	.586	10.5	39-15	26-31
Cleveland	47	63	.427	28	26-29	21-34
Kansas City	38	73	.342	37.5	23-33	15-40

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
Oakland	61	51	.545	—	29-25	32-26
L.A. Angels	58	54	.518	3	27-28	31-26
Texas	56	57	.496	5.5	26-30	30-27
Seattle	54	57	.486	6.5	29-29	25-28

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
N.Y. Mets	66	44	.600	—	32-22	34-22
Philadelphia	54	57	.486	12.5	27-31	27-26
Atlanta	51	60	.459	15.5	22-29	29-31
Florida	51	60	.459	15.5	27-28	24-32
Washington	49	62	.441	17.5	26-24	23-38

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
St. Louis	61	50	.550	—	33-23	28-27
Cincinnati	57	55	.509	4.5	29-30	28-25
Houston	53	58	.477	8	30-26	23-32
Milwaukee	52	59	.468	9	32-23	20-36
Chicago	47	64	.423	14	25-31	22-33
Pittsburgh	42	70	.375	19.5	28-28	14-42

WEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	HOME	ROAD
San Diego	58	53	.523	—	28-31	30-22
L.A. Dodgers	57	55	.509	1.5	32-24	25-31
Arizona	56	56	.500	2.5	27-29	29-27
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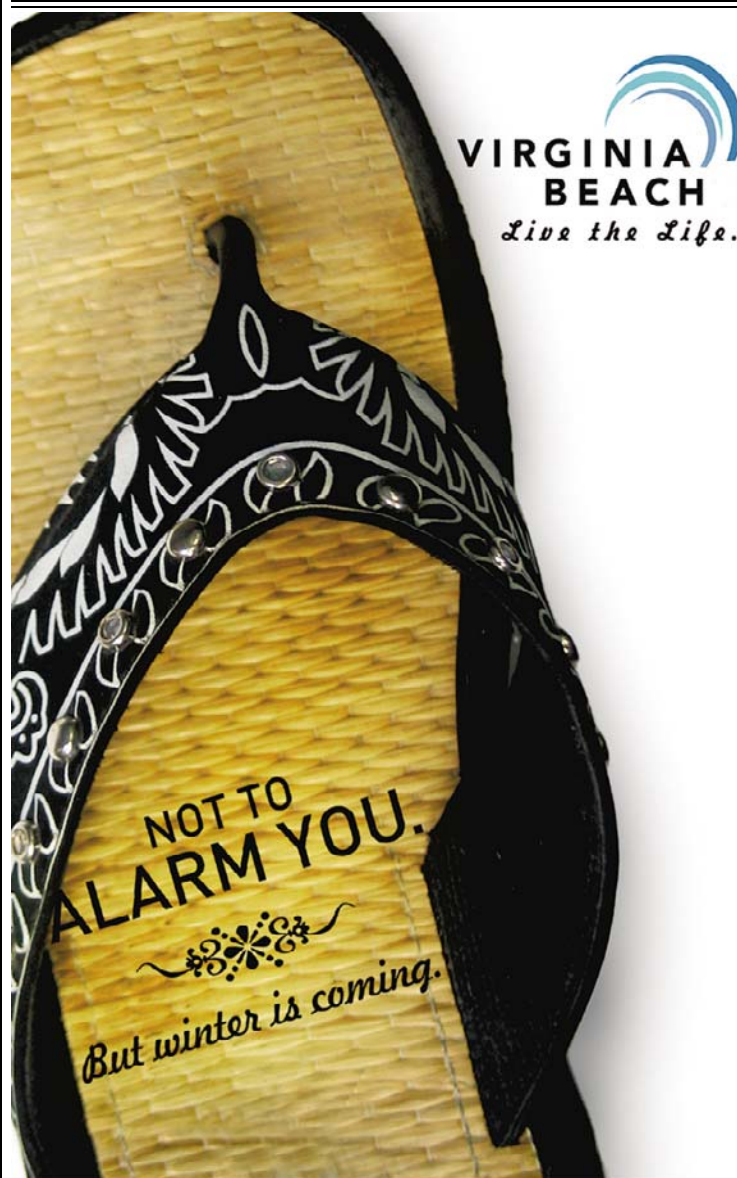
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500 CLUB: Ford's 500 platform will be the basis for at least four more vehicles, including two sedans, the company said Tuesday. One of the sedans that will be produced will be the Lincoln MKS; the other is rumored to be the Ford Fairlane.



It's a Striptease on Wheels

Stuffy, modest Volvo C70 T5 seductively peels off its hardtop

ROAD TEST | Close to the equator, nakedness doesn't register particularly, because it's hot and such exposure seems perfectly natural and organic to the setting. It's clothing that seems perverse. On a topless beach in, say, Brazil, the rush of nudity wears off in about five minutes. Then it's time for cocktails. However, the farther north you go, and the more the natives tend to be

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MYUNGJ. CHUNG/L.A. TIMES

Ooohhh yeah, Volvo, take it off. That's right, take it ALL off. That's nice, real nice.

bundled up against the elements, the greater the titillation when they finally do take off their clothes.

To the point: There is something inexpressibly illicit about a convertible Volvo, which has spent much of

its history buttoned up to the chin, literally and figuratively. Just consider the ideography of the company badge, the grille with the left-to-right slash across it, so much like the forbidding red circle-and-slash symbol. How Lutheran can you get?

How shocking, then, is the new C70 T5, with its naughty retractable hardtop? Here you have an altogether proper-looking two-door coupe, an attractive car that's in no way provocative and certainly doesn't offer a clue — like a canvas top — that it's capable of immodesty. And yet, at the touch of a button, the seemingly solid roof luridly disassembles and descends into the trunk space, after which the deck lid clamshells shut. It's a 30-second mechanical burlesque. **DAN NEIL (LOS ANGELES TIMES)**

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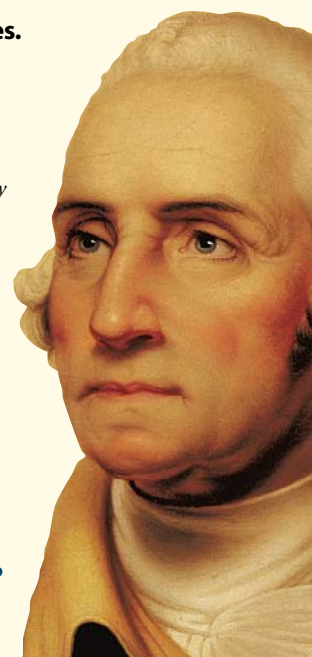
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JOBS

Construction

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JOBS

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Restaurant



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Technology

More stations turn to HD Radio, but will listeners follow them?

From his 16th-floor office at WKTU-FM, program director Jeff Zuchowski has a breathtaking view of Manhattan across the Hudson River. Just the setting for programming the only country music station in New York, with favorites such as "Beer for My Horses" and "Life Ain't Always Beautiful."

And if that seems like an odd combination, just think of what regular listeners might say, considering that KTU is known for playing dance music.

"You don't see a lot of cowboy boots and country hats walking around Manhattan," allows Zuchowski, who goes by Jeff Z. But he insists that country has a "cult following" in the Big Apple.

Few people may be listening for now, but the "side" channel that makes KTU's country music broadcast possible is just the kind of new offering that radio broadcasters are hoping will help revive their industry as they adopt next-generation digital broadcasting

technology, or HD Radio.

Thanks to the compression of data that's possible with digital technology, a station that uses HD Radio can send up to four different signals while still using the same frequency it already broadcasts on.

HD Radio also claims to have CD-quality sound on FM and FM-quality sound on AM stations, as well as better reception and the possibility of broadcasting data such as song titles and artists' names, like satellite radio does. Think of the better picture quality and extra features you get from a DVD instead of on videotape.

However, with only a tiny number of the units sold so far — executives say just tens of thousands are in use today — the listenership is far too tiny to be measured. Zuchowski acknowledges that HD Radio is in an "infant stage."

But that hasn't stopped many stations from starting up HD side channels, which the stations have promised to keep commercial-free for the next year in hopes of luring in listeners. In New York, WCBS-FM 101.1 — which caused an uproar when it switched from oldies to the eclectic "Jack" format — airs oldies on its side channel; WQHT-FM, an urban station, broadcasts classic hip-hop on its side channel.

The changes come as radio is fac-

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RADIO REVOLUTION: WKTU employee Greg Tyndorf sits behind a sound board at the radio station, which has gone digital.

Change in Tune

ing brutal competition for listeners' time from iPods, the Internet and satellite radio. Also, advertising rev-

enues have been sluggish.

Many see great potential for HD Radio, even if the benefits may be

years off. "At this stage of the game, it's purely a building process," says Jerry Lee, the owner of WBEB-FM in Philadelphia.

Bob Neil, the CEO of Cox Radio Inc., the fourth-largest radio broadcaster in the country, said he expected the digital upgrade to occur far faster than the radio industry's last major technology change — the adoption of FM, which first hit the airwaves in 1953 but didn't take a majority of radio listenership from AM until 1977.

"Like everything else in the world, things move faster now," Neil said. "I think we're looking at a five-year horizon before it gets on the radar for consumers, and 10 years before it becomes any kind of major factor in listening." SETH SUTEL (AP)

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Roberts' Little Magic

Literature

Md. author draws on upbringing in her rise to best-seller status

Endless reserves of imagination aren't all it takes to write 165 novels. It also requires the discipline of a drill sergeant. Nora Roberts has arranged her life carefully, paring down the clutter and distractions that would threaten to dull her laserlike focus.

It's hard to argue with the results.

Roberts is in the middle of a typically busy year. Her latest romantic suspense book, "Angels Fall," came out July 11. Later this year will bring the release of a futuristic crime novel, written under the pseudonym J.D. Robb, and three romantic fantasy paperbacks, "The Circle Trilogy," in successive months. There's also a new J.D. Robb novella published as part of an anthology.

"I often say I'm not a machine. I think I have a really strong work ethic, plus I really love the work."

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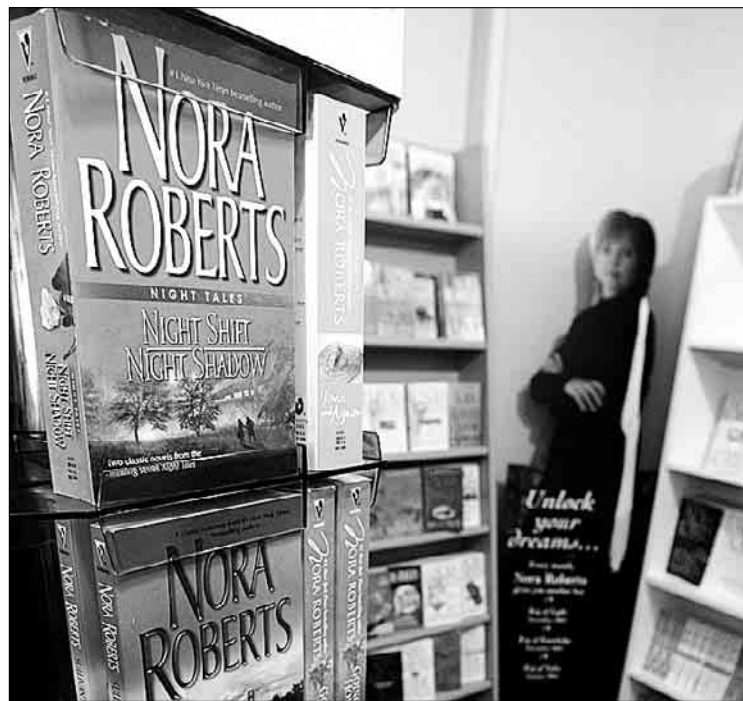
How does she do it?

"I often say I'm not a machine. I think I have a really strong work ethic, plus I really love the work. I think if you love what you do, you do a lot of it. I have a lot of discipline ... and I have a fast pace," the 55-year-old author says.

A lifelong Maryland resident, Roberts was born in Silver Spring — the youngest of five children, and the only girl.

Her upbringing shaped her work ethic.

"I had nine years of Catholic school, and grew up in an Irish Catholic family, with parents who expected you to do what you were



A Boonesville, Md., bookstore displays Maryland author Nora Roberts' works.

told and do your job," Roberts says. "And while I'm extremely lapsed, I still have the core of Catholic guilt. ... If I just blew off a day and didn't have a really good reason, I would feel guilty about that. I mean, it

would just not be worth it to me."

To stave off the guilt, Roberts treats writing like a regular job. She works Monday through Friday, eight hours a day — sometimes more.

While there are few signs of

extravagance in Roberts' home, she has clearly made a handsome living. Since her first New York Times best-seller in 1991, her books have spent 660 weeks on the Times' list of best-sellers, including 100 weeks in the top spot.

Roberts doesn't map out her plots in advance. She comes up with a key incident, character or setting and works from there.

For "Angels Fall," the idea was a woman who witnesses a murder but is too far away to intervene and too isolated to cry for help. She then finds that her claim is met with skepticism. Roberts set the story in a small town in Wyoming, in the shadow of the Grand Tetons.

"That's how I build," she says. "What's the situation? And here is basically the setting I'm thinking of. ... What is she doing there? Why did she come there? Did she live there? Did she move there?"

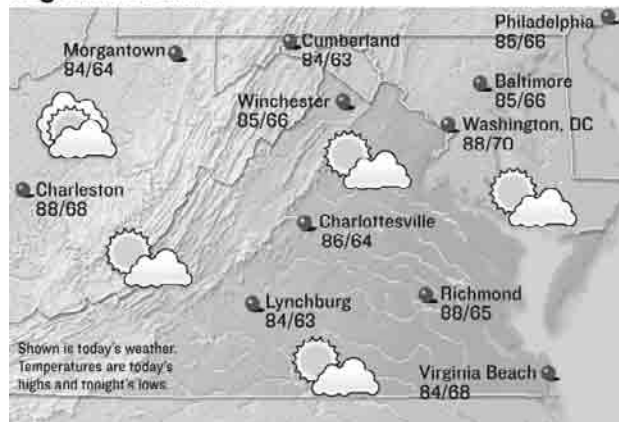
Once she's answered some of those basic questions, she starts from page one, and allows the plot, the characters and the texture to develop as she goes along. She writes a first draft, then a second, then a third. And she never works on more than one book at a time.

"This story and these characters, they deserve all my time and attention, my emotional connection. Plus, I want to know what happens next." BEN NUCKOLS (AP)

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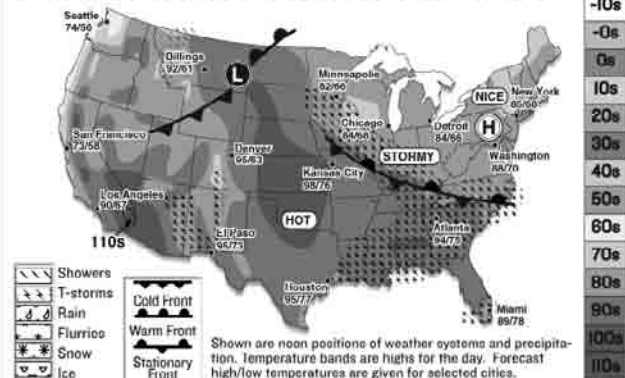
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Rome	82/66/sh	86/66/pc
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Tokyo	84/77/t	86/75/t

s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Styles

LOOK*
out

Carol Burnett wore the above costume, by Bob Mackie, in the TV version of "Once Upon a Mattress." At right, an outfit from "Desperate Housewives."



bers and buys and designs others. "We search everywhere. My neighbors save things for me. I like the texture of things that have been worn and aged, so I'm always going to yard sales. If I find a shape at a yard sale I like, I will have it remade."

For HBO's "Rome," "everything was made from scratch. We have never rented anything," says Ferry, previously nominated in 1989 for "My Name Is Bill W." She designed more than 4,000 garments for the first season of "Rome."

"Roman women wore a lot of drapery ... I wanted to do that on all my leading ladies, but they said, 'Oh, I look fat in that,'" she laughs, speaking from Italy, where the series is filming its final season. "So between the drapery making me satisfied and them satisfied, that was the hardest job."

Adair is nominated for a second time for "Desperate Housewives," whose stars have become instant icons of Hollywood red-carpet events.

"I don't want it to be a fashion show. It must be a world of storytelling and character. It's modern, but it's definitely a parallel universe, like stepping through some invisible veil," says the British-born designer, whose credits include "The District."

"The Sopranos" Polcsa, a long-time designer in theater and movies, aimed for a realistic tip of the hat to the innate cultural taste of New Jersey Italians, rather than some Hollywood idea of Mafia style. This is her fourth Emmy nomination for the HBO series.

"It's certainly a nice thing to put on your resume, but it's not like actors, where an award can translate into dollars," she says. "I've not seen that, but it's a professional mark of pride, really sort of wonderful."

As for "Battlestar's" Campbell, "My reward has always been in the fittings ... the characters start coming out as the actors are putting the clothing on."

"For me, it's both an art and a craft, and even more so a passion."

BRIDGET BYRNE (AP)

Winning Wearables

Costume designers compete for the most stylish of statuettes

The five designers nominated for best series costumes in this year's Emmys have a common thread — their honored creations are all stitches in time, from the finery of ancient Rome to the here and now of Wisteria Lane to seventh-millennium space travel.

April Ferry rendered robes for the legions in "Rome." Darryle Johnson sewed the look of 1980s Brooklyn into "Everybody Hates Chris." Juliet Polcsa outfitted the mob in "The Sopranos." Catherine Adair dressed the "Desperate Housewives." And Glenna Campbell

suited up the crew of "Battlestar Galactica."

"We are being recognized a little more these days," says Ferry, who started making costumes in 1968.

One example of this is the first-ever exhibit of the works of past and present Emmy costume honorees, presented by the television academy and the Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising at the institute's Los Angeles museum.

Sitcoms are often overlooked in the wardrobe department in favor of period dramas, so it was a "surprise" to first-time nominee Johnson that UPN's "Everybody Hates Chris" was chosen this year.

On the TV series, he's used clothes preserved by family mem-

Home



Hearts Afire

The new **OILILY SCENTED CANDLES** (\$3.50, Oilily boutiques) combine all the elements of the Triumvirate of Cuteness. First, they are tiny — smaller than the palm of your hand. Second, they are colorful, available in pink, blue, green and purple. Third, they smell pretty: lightly floral, with a slight citrusy note to cut the sweetness. The heart-shaped tin (the cuteness meter is in the red zone!) reminded us of a candy box. One candle is a nice little present to yourself, especially if you're travelling and want the scent of home. To give them away, add a bunch to a gift basket, or toss them into goodie bags for a party.

KRISTEN PAGE-KIRBY (EXPRESS)

Technology



Expensive and Shiny Makes a Good Gift

We'd hope you get this as a gift, as the price tag of the new **MOTORAZR V31 DOLCE AND GABBANA** is \$600 (motorola.com/US/DG). That's six. Hundred. American. Dollars. And what does the equivalent of 42 high-end lipsticks get you? Besides an engraved D&G logo and a pendant featuring the D&G initials, that is? Special backgrounds, screen-savers, MP3 ringtones and unique animations, that's what. We understand you can also make phone calls. Accessories include a Bluetooth headset, a wired stereo headset and a gold leather phone case. In addition to online, the phone is also available at select Bloomingdale's and Saks Fifth Avenues. K.P.K.

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Manners on Metrorail

COMMENTS | Rare is the topic that elicits more consistent reader opinion than the issue of people's habits on mass transit.

In Tuesday's Express print edition, commenter Lana Pasman lamented riders who "wear too much perfume/aftershave or cologne," talk loudly on cell phones and block doors, among other transgressions. She asked that Metro post a list of etiquette rules.

Some of you agreed. Said one e-mailer, "Not only should a list of etiquette be displayed, they should also be enforced. Particularly blocking the doors and loud cell phone conversations."

But many of those who wrote in said such a list would fall on deaf

ears. "My experience in the seven years that I have been a regular rider is that people will do what they want to do, whether it breaks a rule or not," said e-mailer Marvin J. Lynch of Gaithersburg.

Leigh Gates was more stern in her disagreement. "We are all adults that ride the Metro and if we need to be told how much perfume to wear, or how loudly we can talk to our friends, then the city has bigger problems than etiquette on Metro. Please confine your snobby rules to your home. ..."

Others, like Jill Randazzo of Alexandria, find the more olfactorily bold Metro denizens useful: "It helps cover up the odor from those who chose to eat Italian sausage,



STEP BACK: Some riders say they don't want formal etiquette rules on Metrorail.

Polish kielbasa or two hot dogs with sauerkraut for breakfast."

On Energy Dependence

NOTED | In reference to Tuesday's poll question, "Should U.S. oil reserves be tapped to lower gas prices?", commenter Ed had this to say: "We should start using our own oil and once people use it all up, then they'll

realize that we all should have been looking for another solution like forcing people to use mass transit and riding their bikes to work. Most people are lazy idiots and the government just coddles them. ... [T]hey should just enact a law to force these lazy people to [get] off their butts." What do you think? Let us know at COMMENTS@READEXPRESS.COM.

? Poll Center

TODAY'S QUESTION

If the Army ever built a theme park, would you go?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Should U.S. oil reserves be tapped to lower gas prices?

NO **YES**

56% 44%

As of 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. Not a scientific poll

GIVE YOUR OPINION ON TODAY'S POLL QUESTION AND GET A STATION-BY-STATION BREAKDOWN OF HOW YOUR FELLOW METRORAIL COMMUTERS VOTED AT READEXPRESS.COM/POLLCENTER.PHP



"It sounds kind of cool, and here's hoping that this will add some edginess to the songs. But I'm betting that it doesn't."

LASTSECONDCOMEBACK.BLOGSPOT.COM THINKS HAVING AMATEUR SONGWRITERS COMPETE TO WRITE TUNES FOR THE AMERICAN IDOL FINALISTS IS A GOOD IDEA THAT ULTIMATELY WON'T WORK OUT.

Maybe 'Piece Garden'

"That the centerpiece of the Tupac Center for the Arts is a 'Peace Garden' is ironic. This is tantamount to including a 'Wacky Hall of Torture Implements' in a memorial center for Mahatma Gandhi."

CAFE227.BLOGSPOT.COM FINDS IT ODD THAT THERE'S A PEACE GARDEN AT THE MEMORIAL FOR TUPAC SHAKUR, WHOSE RAP LYRICS WERE OFTEN VERY VIOLENT.

"Having a world-class stadium and a developmental renaissance are compatible ideas."

BEYONDTHEMALL.BLOGSPOT.COM SAYS THE NATIONALS STADIUM ISN'T A CHOICE BETWEEN DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT.



Beware, Insurgents

"She's going to be in Iraq, wearing a cute Prada dress and some Jimmy Choos and be all bedecked in Chopard and there's going to be an attack—but she'll be prepared with an M-16 and aim and shoot those bastards who come after her."

BORROWINGTROUBLE.BLOGSPOT.COM IS SKEPTICAL THAT LINDSEY LOHAN'S TAKING SHOOTING LESSONS BEFORE A TRIP TO IRAQ TO ENTERTAIN TROOPS WOULD DO MUCH GOOD IF THINGS GOT DANGEROUS.

Pete Yorn Inspires Starstruckness?

"We were starstruck, intoxicated with the fun of a free night, good music and the pleasure of meeting a man, a star, who seemed like a regular guy with a really nice voice."

CANDYSANDWICH.BLOGSPOT.COM WAS TOO EXCITED TO PLAY IT COOL AFTER SEEING PETE YORN GIVE A FREE CONCERT AT THE DUPONT OLSSON'S AND GETTING HIS AUTOGRAPH ON MONDAY.

Live Online

On the Job

Washington Post columnist **AMY JOYCE** was online on Tuesday at washingtonpost.com to offer advice about on-the-job issues.

My boss never says "thank you" or anything remotely like it. After big projects, she says nothing. NOTHING. This is troubling me. There is no feedback good, bad or ugly. What, if anything, can I do not to get depressed?

1. You can accept the fact that you're not going to get feedback. 2. You can ask for feedback and hope you get some. 3. You can try to understand that sometimes lack of feedback is a sign of a job well-done.

I am considering changing careers to take a full-time position doing work I have done on a volunteer basis for 15 years. Can I do up my resume listing all of my volunteer experience for the position and then raise it in the interview (or maybe cover letter) that none of

that work was paid?

Absolutely include the volunteer work that applies directly to your new career on your resume. I would include in the cover letter that your years of volunteer work in the same field make you a perfect candidate for X. I would think they would feel that if you were willing to do it for that long unpaid, you really will be dedicated.

I'm expecting our third child and am strongly considering taking a few years off. While I've thought a lot about quitting work, I'm still very unclear about what I could be doing now or while I'm out of the work force to ease my attempts at "on-ramping" in the future? Any tips?

Make a plan about what sorts of things you need to continue to learn as you take a few years off to raise your children. Make sure to keep a network of people you can keep in touch with while you are out. You may decide you want to come back sooner or may just want to take some part-time work to keep sharp and marketable. If you decide to leave, hang on to those mentors.



REPRESENT BOTH POLITICAL PARTIES WITH YOUR HANDS. And by that, of course, we mean make wall shadows of an elephant and a donkey (Hey, what can we say? It's a political town). If you want to expand your shadow repertoire beyond a flapping bird, 20kweb.com has a whole range of animal how-tos for you.

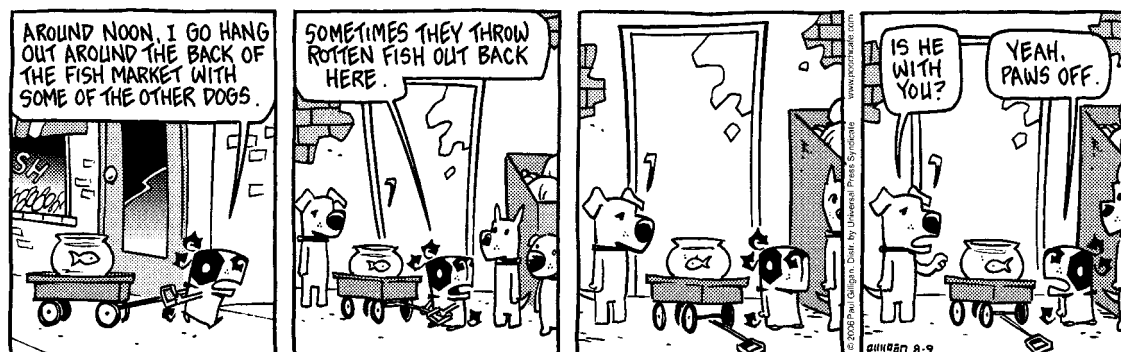
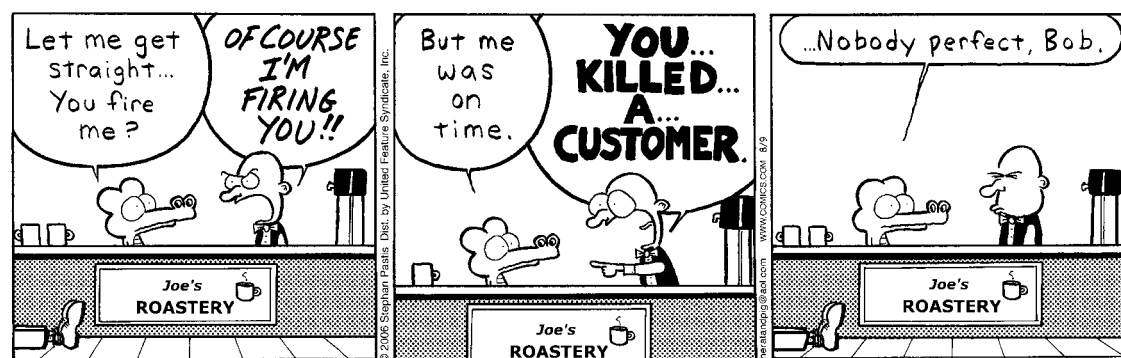
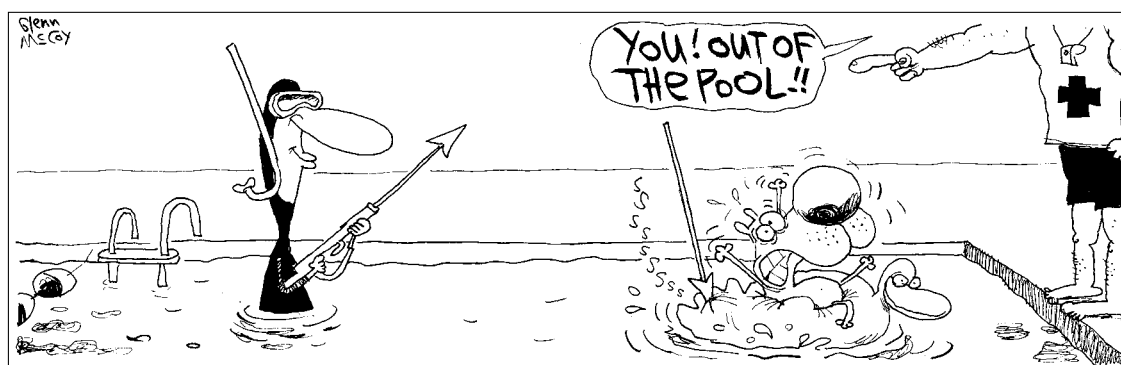


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"My last relationship was too complicated."

Pooch Cafe | Paul Gilligan

Pearls Before Swine | Stephan Pastis

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy


Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Something that is well-done is worth doing again—and, possibly, again. There's no reason to move on to something else before you're ready.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may find yourself wishing you were in someone else's shoes as the day wears on, but after dark an encounter will make you forget all that.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Someone may try to lay down the law for you, but something you've recently experienced will have you yearning for something dangerous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) It's a good idea to relive something that has inspired you. Don't forget all the good things that have been a part of who you are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Take the time to figure out certain things before jumping in with abandon. Success right now is a combination of intellect and instinct.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll find yourself wishing you were in another's shoes before the day is out. If you play

your cards right you can enjoy a new success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) The truth is the best thing for you at this time; rely on it exclusively in times of doubt and you'll come through with flying colors.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You mustn't pretend to be something you're not; someone will discover that you're engaged in some kind of deception. Stick to the facts.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You will enjoy once again the notion that life is a gift, and you can prove that it's possible for anyone to play whatever hand is dealt.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take care that you don't congratulate yourself for something well-done before it is truly complete. Don't assume the outcome will be favorable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You'll spend a great deal of time trying to figure out something in your head—but what you must really do is try to judge it with your heart.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's a good day to let go and see where your instincts take you. Someone may try to hold you back, but your natural skills will see you through.

Letters

Poll Reveals Area Bias

THAT ANACOSTIA AND PRINCE GEORGE'S were at the bottom of your well-thought-out poll Monday ("Which area waterfront project will be most

successful?") was not particularly shocking. That Express immediately defended itself against an accusation that the poll was "biased" was not shocking, either. And, if you still don't get it after reading this, then you just don't get it.

—KEVIN D. WILLIAMS
Upper Marlboro, Md.

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Today in History

1854 Henry David Thoreau published "Walden," which described his experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts.

1930 A forerunner of the cartoon character Betty Boop made her debut in Max Fleischer's animated short "Dizzy Dishes."

1936 Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay.

1945 Three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the United States exploded a



Author Henry David Thoreau published "Walden" today in 1854.

nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

1969 Actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found brutally murdered in Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his disciples were later convicted of the crime.

LOOK out

People



Fred is 30 now, and you are old, old, old.

CURSES

Child Doomed to Live Always in Dad's Tiny Shadow

FRED SAVAGE, former child star of "The Wonder Years," has fathered a baby boy. Wife Jennifer Lynn Stone gave birth to the 6-pound, 13-ounce child in Los Angeles on Saturday night, Creative Arts Agency confirmed Monday. (AP)

LESSER BALDWIN

Alec Calls in a Major Favor



DANIEL BALDWIN, who was arrested for cocaine possession in April and crashed into two parked cars in July, will play himself on the final season of "The Sopranos." According to E! Online, he'll star in the film being produced by the character Christopher. (AP)



THINGS THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN

'Hil Was, Like, 'Can I Braid Your Hair?'

LINDSAY LOHAN says she wants to go to Iraq with Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton and entertain American troops there. "I've been trying to go to Iraq with Hillary Clinton for so long. Hillary was trying to work it out, but it seemed too dangerous," Lohan says in an Elle interview. A spokesman for Clinton offered a different take: "It was suggested to her that if she wanted to go, she could pursue doing so through the USO," said Philippe Reines. (AP)

FUEL Engineers Harness The Crazy to Power U.K.

A security guard at Paul McCartney's home called police when one of **HEATHER MILLS MCCARTNEY**'s guards climbed a wall to let her in, a spokesman for Mills McCartney said Tuesday. Her guard climbed a wall to open a gate after realizing the locks at the home had been changed, said spokesman Phil Hall. A guard inside called police, who spoke to Mills McCartney and



Heather can run Wales for three gigawatt-years!

left. Hall played down the incident, which comes in the midst of what the British media say are acrimonious divorce proceedings. "She said it was hilarious," said Hall. "It was just a complete mix-up." He also said McCartney had frozen the couple's joint account and sent Mills McCartney a letter complaining about three bottles of cleaning liquid that were taken from his home to her office. (AP)

EUPHEMISMS

So We're Calling Strokes 'Lingerie Parties' Now, Eh?

HUGH HEFNER, 80, said he's "never felt better" when asked Monday about a report he was in ill health. A newspaper gossip item said Hefner had suffered a mini-stroke. "We had a lingerie party Saturday night and I went up a little early because [girlfriend] Holly had a cold. I am in very good health," Hefner said. He hosted his "Midsummer Night's Dream" party at the mansion Saturday. (AP)



At the Mansion, a heart attack is called "in the hot tub with smokin' hotties."

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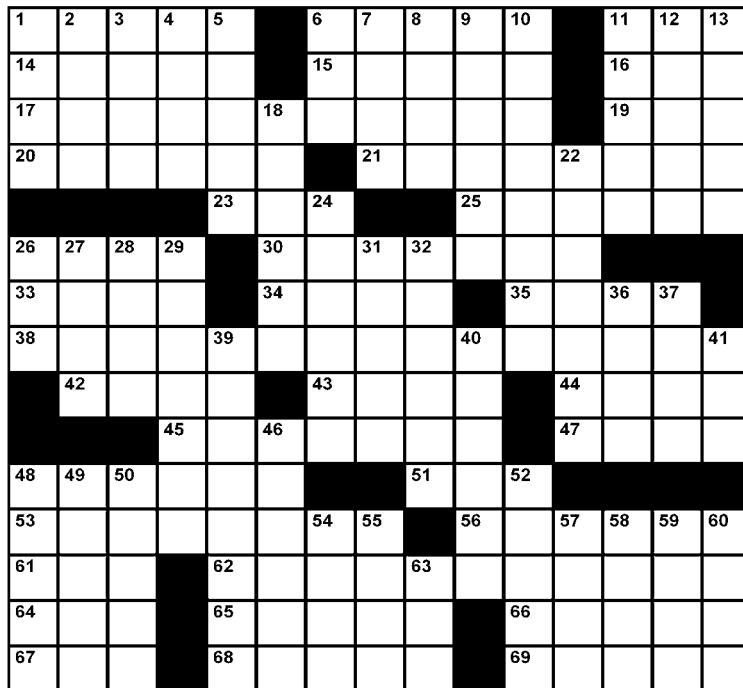
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25 Master of irony
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Erich von
11 New at the game
12 Foreshadow
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18 Give a hand
22 Some of the Consumer Reports staff
24 Give a hard time
26 Do an axe job
27 Like the Kara Kum
28 Greedy response
29 Calms down, in



- a way
31 American missile
32 Add vitamins to, e.g.
36 Editing room sound
37 Aleutian island
39 Unfit for consumption
40 Discomfort
41 In a blue funk, e.g.
46 Mom or dad, traditionally
48 Cause of some grudges
49 Like poltergeists
50 Water source
52 Sentence units
54 A stone's throw away
55 Golfer Ballesteros
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58 Be an omen of
59 "National Velvet" author
Bagnold
60 Like hollandaise sauce
63 London Zoo feature?

Yesterday's Solution



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Fill in the boxes so each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. For solution, tips and computer program, see www.sudoku.com

Yesterday's Solution

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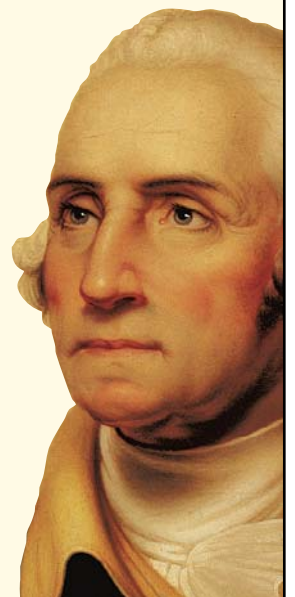
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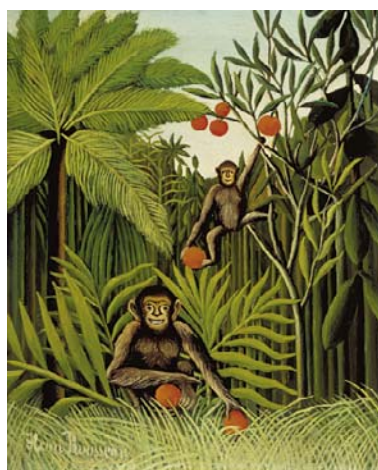
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Explore Rousseau's 'Jungles'

Explore "Henri Rousseau: Jungles in Paris," currently on view at the National Gallery of Art, East Building. Featuring Rousseau's iconic jungle paintings, this is the only U.S. venue to celebrate the artist's broad range of work: landscapes of Paris, allegories, portraits, as well as the largest grouping ever assembled of Rousseau's jungle scenes. This exhibit runs through October 15. For details, visit www.nga.gov.

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Two Monkeys in the Jungle, 1909
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Take a Holiday from Sales Tax

In an effort to help ease the cost of back-to-school clothes shopping, Maryland and the District of Columbia will offer a Sales Tax Holiday in August.

The District of Columbia's Sales Tax Holiday is August 5-13. Buy shoes, clothing and accessories costing \$100 or less tax-free. For details, go to www.dc.gov.

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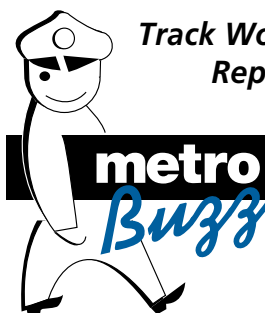
Virginia held its Sales Tax Holiday this past weekend.

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The 11th Washington D.C. Restaurant Week runs from August 14 through August 20. More than 150 of the city's finest restaurants will offer \$20.06 lunches and \$30.06 dinners. Participating restaurants include favorites like The Bombay Club, The Oval Room and DC Coast. Newcomers include Oya Restaurant & Lounge, Acadiana, Agraria on the Georgetown waterfront and Indigo Landing on the Alexandria waterfront. Get a full list of participating restaurants at RestaurantWeekDC.com and make reservations now at OpenTable.com.

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Track Work Continues This Weekend on the Blue Line; Major Repairs on Yellow Line Coming Up

Blue Line track work will continue this weekend between Franconia-Springfield and King Street stations, and major repairs on the Yellow Line bridge over the Potomac River are scheduled to take place Aug. 18-20. Please add time to your travel plans and check MetroOpensDoors.com for updates before you head out.

For trips into Washington this weekend, Metro encourages customers to use Huntington station on the Yellow Line.

On Saturday and Sunday, Metro will operate shuttle trains every 35 minutes between Franconia-Springfield and King Street stations. All other Blue Line trains will run between Largo Town Center and Huntington station. Once a shuttle train arrives at the King Street station, customers will transfer to a Blue or Yellow Line train to continue to their final destination.

And looking ahead to next weekend, the Yellow Line bridge over the Potomac will be shut down for repairs from 10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 18, until Monday, Aug. 21. We'll have more details about the Yellow Line track work and service changes in next week's Express, so be sure to pick up a copy.

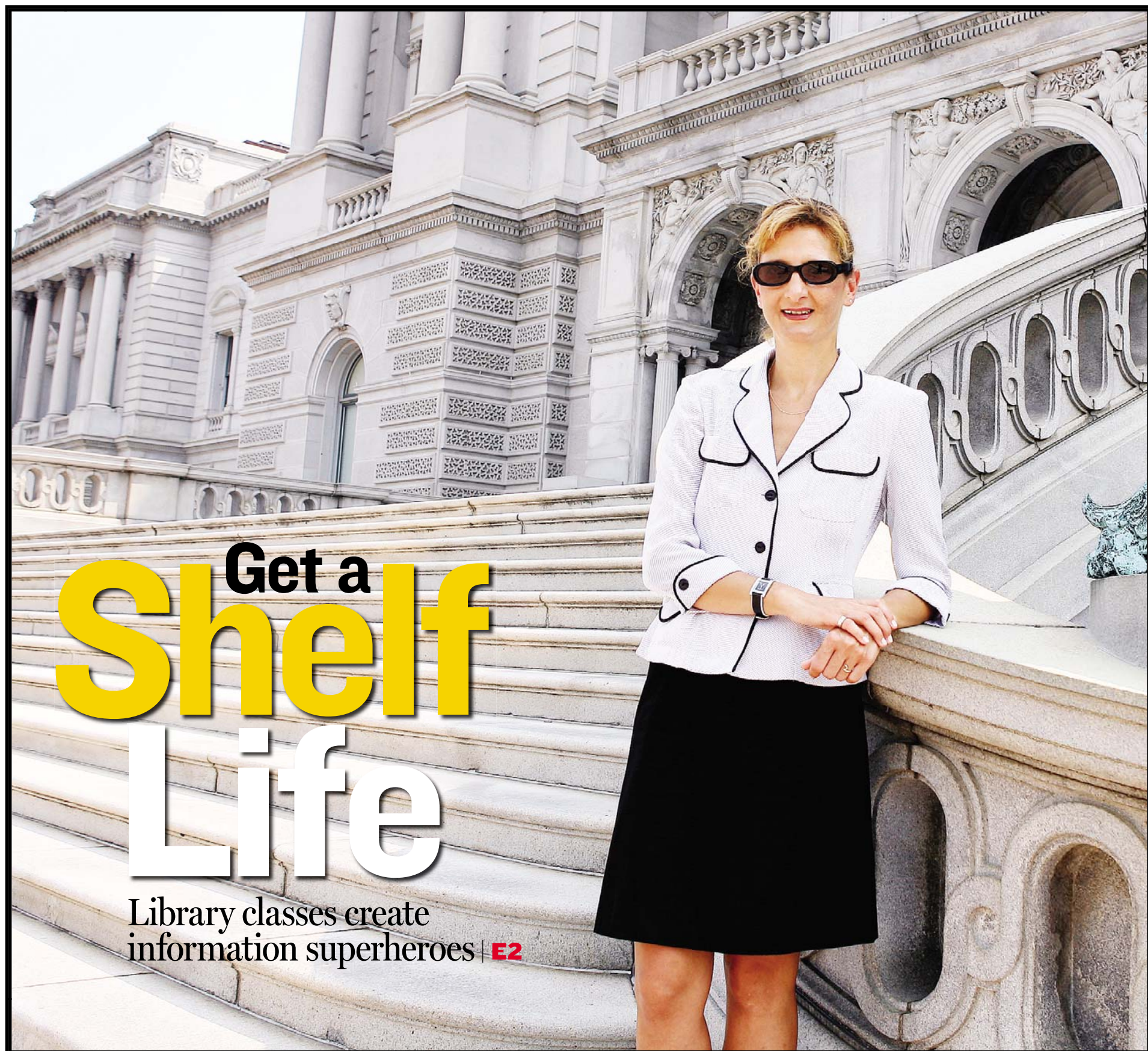
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Success in the Stacks

A new generation of librarians gets info-savvy at area classes

Does a background engineering power plans for Romanian sugar factories give you the skills needed to be a good librarian?

For Romanian-born D.C. resident M.J. Oboroceanu, the organizational abilities and spatial thinking she used as an engineer in her homeland helped her when she decided to move from the drafting room to the reading room.



In a library science resources class at the University of Maryland, Delia Neuman fills students in on types of interactive media.

Always a library lover, Oboroceanu made up her mind that she wanted to spend her working hours in one. But it took her getting her master's in Library Science from D.C.'s Catholic University in 2003 to turn her into a Sacagawea of the stacks. She now works at the Library of Congress in the Congressional Research Service.

Oboroceanu thinks the field has come a long way since these book keepers were stereotyped as Marion Librarians with glasses on their noses and their hair in buns. "I'm a runner. I'm 43, fit and hip," said Oboroceanu. "I love being the rebel librarian." And unlike her former work as an engineer, library services feeds her need to interact with others. "I get a lot more people contact," said Oboroceanu. "I get to work as a team with my colleagues

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and my patrons.”

A master’s degree is now required for librarian positions at any level, and many midcareer changers are choosing to immerse themselves in this increasingly tech-savvy career.

“Over the years, the profession has sought to increase its stature,” said Delia Neuman, a professor at the University of Maryland, which offers an extremely popular Master of Library Science degree. “The push toward the master’s degree as the entry-level requirement for any substantive library job came about as a part of that. People wonder why a master’s is needed. Then they find out how tough the career is. The [amount of knowledge needed] is sometimes daunting.”

The Catholic University of America and the University of Maryland are the only two Washington-area universities offering a MLS. Both feature a core curriculum covering subjects like organization of information, information access, information technology and



A Master in Library Science from Catholic University helped M. J. Oboroceanu land a plumb job at the Library of Congress.

information use.

Students can also specialize in areas such as archives and records management, school library media and public libraries. The master’s programs at both schools require 36 credit hours and, in both cases, students can go full time or part time.

Technology has changed some of the courses over the years. “Maryland was one of the first schools to offer a course in data processing at least 30 years ago, and the school has always focused on the latest technology for organizing and accessing info,” Neuman said.

One example: Catholic University’s library reference desk, where students would traditionally query a librarian, has changed to an online chat room. All students now receive one-on-one service via the Internet; a similar techie focus permeates classes in the library science program. “We prepare our students to provide services to meet clients’ needs either electronically or in person,” Neuman said.

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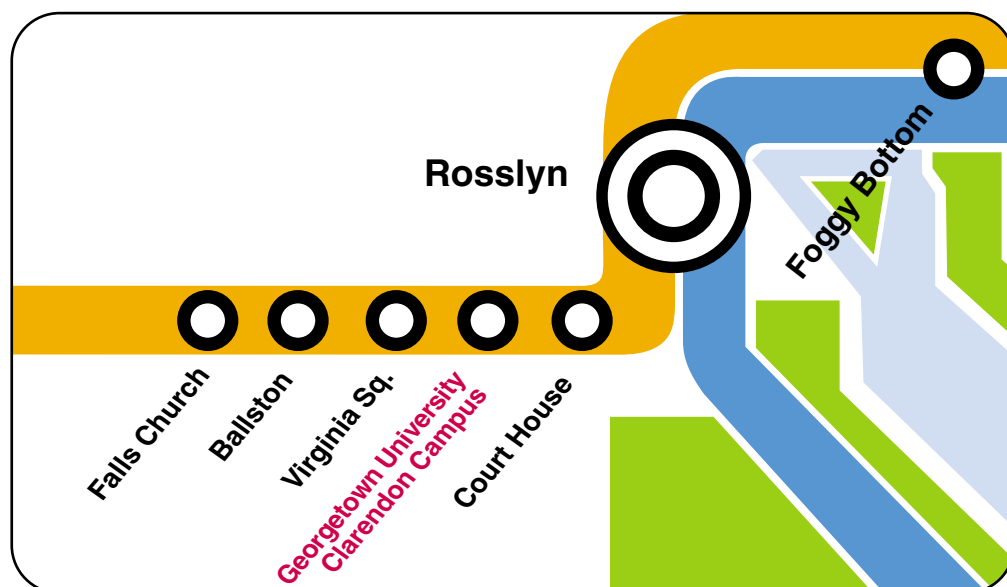
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CONTINUING STUDIES

In class, Delia Neuman tells how libraries use DVDs, CDs and other new media.

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Many students choose to delve into the world of special libraries, which could mean they oversee data collections at spots from law firms and hospitals to big corporations or even the U.S. Senate.

To work in one of these places, librarians must not only know information systems, but also the field they've specialized in. "If you're a science librarian, you'd better know a lot more about flora and fauna than an archive librarian, so you'll know how to find information in an efficient way," said Neuman.

Oborescu agreed. "[Patrons] know the issue, we know the resources. But to find the best resources, we also have to know about the issue. It's very intellectually enriching."

And the need for these archival gatekeepers and guides is increasing, despite the help-yourself-to-information abilities of the Internet. According to the American Library Association, librarians held roughly 159,000 jobs in 2004, but more

applicants will soon be needed.

"We are populated heavily with people from the baby boomer generation," said Leslie Burger, ALA president. "Many of them are thinking of retirement, and when they do we'll have quite a few openings." More than three out of five librarians were over 45 years old in 2004 and will be eligible for retirement within the next decade.

So how much do librarians make? Their average starting salary is on par with that of secondary schoolteachers; usually in the low \$30s. The ALA says salaries vary according to an individual's qualifications and the type, size and location of the library. Across the country, median annual earnings of librarians in May 2004 were \$45,900. Jobs in the D.C.-metro area pay a bit better. According to salary.com, the median expected salary for a librarian in Alexandria, Va., is roughly \$51,000.

Those paychecks don't come from sitting quietly behind a reference desk, either. "If you're get-

ting an MLS, you are going into a service profession. Your job is to always help other people find what they need," said Neuman. "If you're not really attuned to that service dimension, you're not going to be happy."

Often, that means assisting patrons in ways beyond locating the latest Anita Shreve novel. "We're loaning MP3 downloadable books, CDs and DVDs," Burger said. "Facilities are changing and becoming more user-friendly. Society is making us rethink the way we provide services."

Oborocanu thinks the library science field has shaken off visions of glasses-clad geeks trapped in dusty rooms. "I'm a librarian and I don't want to be called anything else," she said. She thinks her MLS prepared her for a job in a rapidly transforming era. "Librarians are people we turn to for answers, and we're taking that title to a new dimension," she said. "There is so much change in the world, but libraries are part of our culture." LYNN THORNE



INFORMATION, PLEASE: In library science classes, students explore new methods of data delivery, from video games to MP3s.

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specializations offered by the D.C. area's two library science programs.


Catholic University's unique class, Library Services for Client Groups with Disabilities, is offered every other summer. "It gives an overview of what it means to have a disability," said Delia Neuman, the professor who has taught the class at Catholic for the past 20 years. "The course also discusses various kinds of disabilities and how each group processes information."

In the course, students find out that librarians working with the hearing-impaired often encounter communication issues with their patrons. Vision-impaired library users face other types of obstacles, such as needing print documents scanned and turned into audio files. Neuman's class takes

field trips to local libraries including the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped and Galludet University.

The University of Maryland is the only American Library Association-accredited school in the U.S. to offer a concentration called Lifelong Access. Students pursuing this concentration learn how people in particular groups learn differently, whether they are grouped by age, economic status or culture.

The specialty focuses on understanding and meeting the needs of these groups to contribute to a lifetime of learning. For instance, older patrons might favor traditional information channels (books, magazines) while foreign-language speakers sometimes need bilingual library services. LYNN THORNE



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Travel agent Michelle Bemis helps a client plot a vacation at McLean's McCabe Bremer Travel agency. Bemis trained at Northern Virginia Community College.

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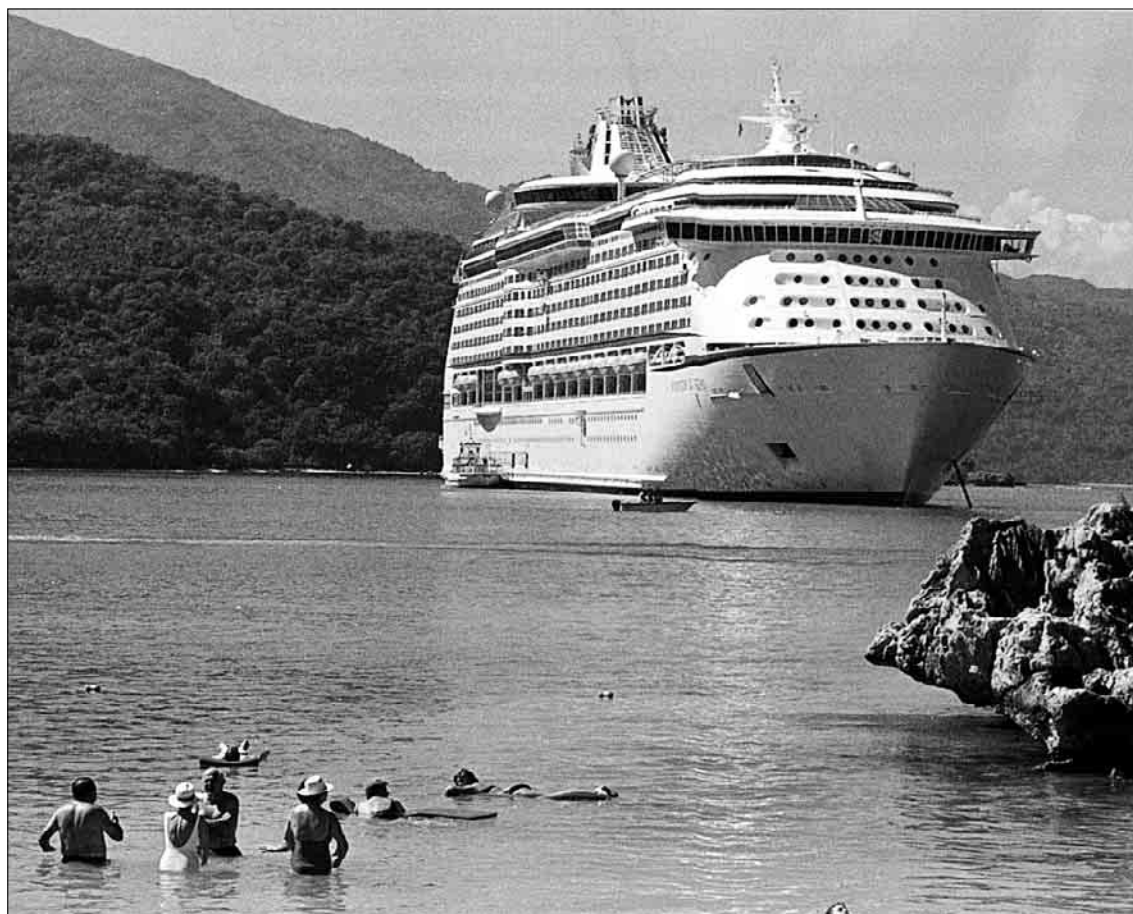
After practicing law for 12 years and being a mother for 24, Michelle Bemis was ready to try something new. After sailing around Europe as a teenager, Bemis knew how much travel could open a person's eyes to the rest of the world. As she contemplated a career change, she began to think she'd like to set up dream trips for other people. "I thought, 'What's my passion?' My passion is travel," she said.

So, in her fifties, an age when

some people start to think about retirement, Bemis went back to school at Northern Virginia Community College and got a certificate in travel and tourism, learning the ins and outs of airplane ticketing, trends in cruise ships and how to suss out hot new destinations. She started working as a travel agent at McLean's McCabe Bremer Travel agency two years ago.

"It's absolutely fabulous," Bemis said. "I love to plan trips and help people." Right now, she said, she's hooking a young couple up with their dream — a honeymoon in Greece. The pair wanted to go to a few out-of-the-way islands, so

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WISH YOU WERE HERE? Travel agents not only plan cruises for customers, but they often check out destinations themselves.

Bemis scheduled some scenic jaunts via a Greek company her agency partners with. "I'm able to tap into the local knowledge," she said, allowing her to plan a better trip for the couple.

With new travel Web sites popping up on what seems like a daily basis, and consumers becoming savvier (and better able to plan their own trips with a few clicks), many people think travel agents are as outmoded as gramophone repairmen.

And indeed, the Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts that the number of travel agents will decline into 2014 as people increasingly arrange their own getaways to Jakarta and beachfront Nags Head rentals. The BLS also forecasts that those in the field will face stiff competition for jobs.

But travel agents themselves seem unconcerned about the future of the industry. Agents say the profession remains as exciting and jet-setty as ever. And, of course, planning other people's weekends and weeks away remains a good career choice for outgoing folks who love to travel.

The media tends to "put travel agents in a negative light, saying they're dinosaurs, and that's not

true," said Cheryl Hudak, a national vice president of the American Society of Travel Agents who owns an agency in Youngstown, Ohio. "There's a lot to the travel industry and a lot of opportunities out there."

Yet there's little debate that the industry has changed dramatically in the past decade. The advent of Web sites such as Orbitz.com and Travelocity.com has made many far-flung destinations more accessible. Sites like fodors.com and tripadvisor.com boast active, reader-driven content and search engines that allow would-be travelers to dig up tons of information with the click of a mouse.

"The biggest change over the last couple of years has been technological," said Hudak. "Doing research years ago was very, very time-consuming." Now that figuring out the newest hotel in Prague or the best place to ski in Quebec is so much easier, both consumers and agents are more informed. "A few years ago, people didn't know where they wanted to go," said Hudak. "They would just say, 'someplace warm.'" Today, she said, people will come to see agents with a list of places they want to go and loads of information about them already in hand.

Another change in the industry: Travel agencies are spending less time doing individual bookings and more time planning complete trips. In 2002, the major airlines stopped paying agencies commissions for booking tickets; many agents then stopped booking tickets for clients, especially domestic flights. Now, when they do make

"There's a lot to the travel industry and a lot of opportunities."

CHERYL HUDAK
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF TRAVEL AGENTS

reservations, they usually must charge consumers a fee.

Instead, travel agents spend the majority of their working hours planning complete trips such as cruises or safaris. "The further people go away from home, the more exotic the location, the more money they spend, the more they want someone to help them from start to finish," said Talula Guntner, the

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assistant dean of travel and tourism at Northern Virginia Community College. People rely on agents for advice, she said, and to help them choose hotels, restaurants and attractions.

Because travel agencies increasingly function as research and information centers rather than logistical offices, more agencies and individual agents are starting to specialize. Some professionals focus on a particular type of travel, such as adventure trips or cruises. Others zoom in on particular destinations — Southeast Asia, the Caribbean islands. McCabe Bremer Travel, where Bemis works, for example, serves as a luxury travel office. Bemis specializes in adventure trips, spa getaways and Mexico. She recently booked a south-of-the-border honeymoon for one couple to Cozumel and the Ikal Del Mar resort in Riviera Maya.

There are no formal educational requirements needed to become a travel agent, though many professionals receive certification through the Travel Institute as either certified travel agents or as more advanced certified travel counselors. In the D.C. area, the Omega Travel School is the only place that offers



DESK-CHAIR TRAVELER: Agent Michelle Bemis relies on e-mail and the phone to communicate with far-flung destinations.

licensed courses, though students can take a test to become licensed after taking courses anywhere. "You can get hired with nothing, but I don't recommend it, because you'll move up faster if you have the education," said Guntner.

NVCC offers an associate's degree and certificate program in travel and tourism. The school has classes in geography, selling trips and customer service, cruises and niche marketing. "We start out with an intro to travel and tourism," said Guntner. "Students can decide if they want to be in the industry or not and then which area of the industry they want to be in."

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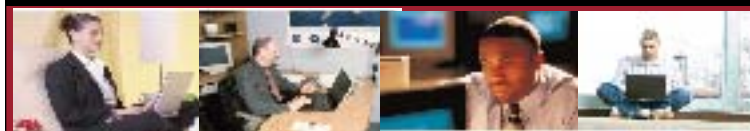


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those offered through the Travel Institute (thetravelinstitute.com), the nationwide certifying agency of travel agents. The institute offers home study courses that take about three to four months to complete, plus specialty destination courses online. "The Travel Institute certification can help with business, because people recognize it. They like that stamp of approval," said Carla Smith, manager of marketing and communication for the Travel Institute.

Still, many agents believe personality and an interest in travel, not education, is the key to succeeding as a globe-trotter's go-to person. "A lot of agencies simply are looking for a salesperson," said Hudak. She said agents need to be both outgoing and good listeners. Drawing

people out and figuring out their interests and passions helps travel professionals pinpoint trips suited to clients.

Agents also, of course, need to enjoy traveling and planning trips. Not surprisingly, agents often get to go on familiarization trips, called "fam trips," to check out locations. The trips are usually free or very inexpensive. "I'm a big believer in getting the agents out there so they can come back and sell," said Guntner.

While the trips are the ultimate perk for many agents, Guntner said that helping other people get out of town can be even more fulfilling. "It's really rewarding to help someone plan their honeymoon or their trip of a lifetime and have them come back and say, 'That little restaurant you told me about was great.'" BETSY QUERNA

Jet-Setup Programs

"Travel industry courses are constantly changing as the industry does," said Mary Jane Shearer, the program coordinator for continuing education at Prince George's Community College. "People said travel agents would be out of business after September 11, but classes seem more popular than ever." Here are some ways to get into planning getaways.

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One of the country's largest travel agencies runs a school with courses covering topics useful to would-be agents. Courses are taught both online and in the classroom. New

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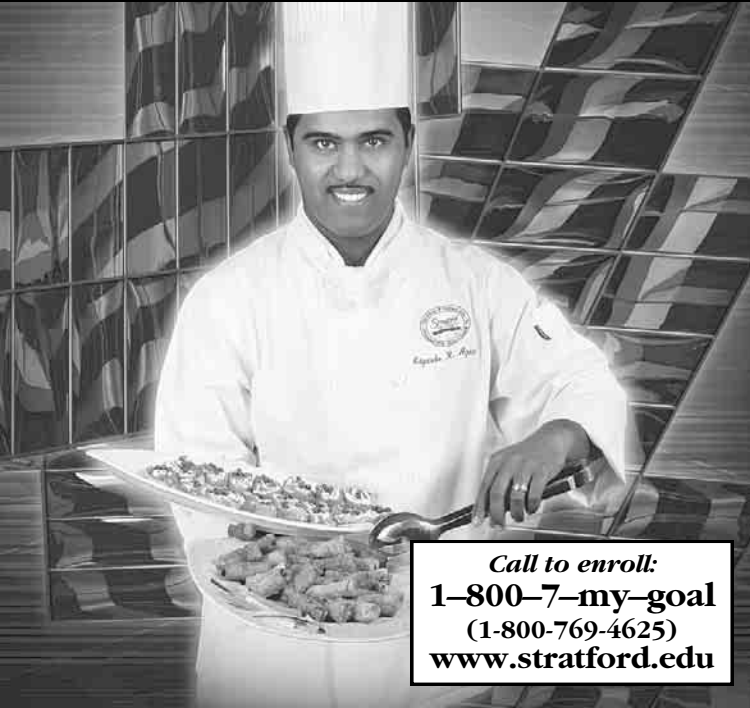
With Greenbelt Travel Services, PGCC offers a Travel Services Training program with classes for beginners and experienced agents throughout the year. Fall offerings include a three-week course, "Geography: It's Your Business to Know Destinations," beginning Oct. 3, and "Getting Into the Travel Business" sessions Sept. 5 and Dec. 5. Courses taught at Greenbelt Travel Services, 5510 Cherrywood Lane. For information on PGCC, call 301-336-6000 or visit pgweb.pg.cc.md.us.

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Students — or their parents — seeking career advice early

Mary Ann Smaby didn't get much formal advice on what to do with her life when she was a teenager and she wasn't inclined to ask for it. Career planning? That waited until well into college.

But the real estate broker wanted to get her children started much

sooner, so she took her two teenage daughters to a professional career counselor this spring.

It's a move other parents are making, too, amid what some say is an intensifying focus on career planning for kids.

"I want to expand their ideas," said the 46-year-old Smaby, of Atascadero, Calif. "Today's generation of kids, they are going to have to be able to jump around a lot more, so they have to have dif-

ferent skills. And there's so much out there."

Skeptics might write off career counseling for children as the latest evidence of overambitious parents trying to ensure perfect life resumes for their kids, from getting them into competitive preschools to elite universities and then right into ideal jobs.

Carol Christen, co-author of the newly published career guide "What Color Is Your Parachute? For Teens,"

sees it differently. Christen, who also is the career strategist advising Smaby's daughters Monique, 17, and Camille, 16, says too many baby boomers and other parents wrongly view college as a substitute for career preparation a very expensive substitute, she notes.

"There's a lot of delusional thinking going on out there. Parents just hand their children over to the educational conveyor belt and think it is going to happen, and it doesn't,"

the former educator said.

"There's this huge sieve through which our young people are fall-

"Parents just hand their children over to the educational conveyor belt."

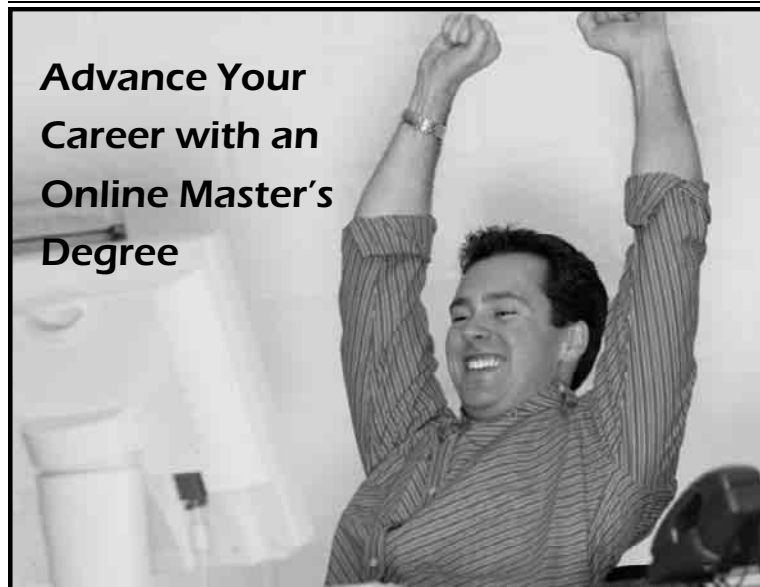
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ing," she said. "Most of them have no plans."

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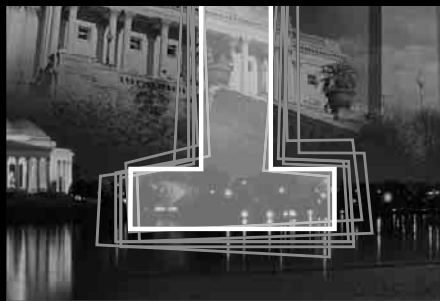


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career counseling for teens isn't yet booming like the growing industry linked to the admissions frenzy, in which some parents pay thousands of dollars to tutors and counselors to try to get their teens in the door at top colleges.

But there appears to be increasing evidence it is a growing business.

California-based Eureka, one of numerous Web-based career information systems that market materials to schools, recently began selling subscriptions to individuals, including students. Boys & Girls Clubs of America has added a career search program for its 13- to 18-year-old members called CareerLaunch.

CollegeRecruiter.com, a job Web site for students, added career counseling services as a paid product about a year ago, contracting with career counseling firms. The average cost is a pricey \$2,000, said Steven Rothberg, president and founder of the Minneapolis-based Web site.

"The counseling is expensive, so I don't think it's going to take the world by storm," he acknowledged. But career counseling for teens, he said, is "definitely a growth area."

"Today's generation of kids ... they have to have different skills."

MARY ANN SMABY
CONCERNED PARENT

It's gone from almost nothing about 10 years ago to being on the radar screen today," partly a reflection, he said, of the growing phenomenon of "helicopter parents" who hover over their children's lives.

Overall, though, the price varies for such counseling, which might consist of assessments of a teen's skills, personality traits and interests, and advice about

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match them.

Christen's approach is to help students create a career prospectus finding three different jobs that need three different levels of education or training and set up chats with people doing the jobs they want.

Mindy Bingham, whose Career Choices curriculum is used in 3,800 schools nationwide, says kids can't be asked soon enough to begin thinking about their future careers. She targets children as young as 13 with a 10-year plan designed to take them right into the work force.

"The emphasis is on helping kids become career-focused and career-committed," said Bingham, whose firm, Academic Innovations, is based in Washington, Utah. "It's not about choosing a specific career, but ... knowing the process so that if they have a boss who comes in the door and says, 'We're closing down the business' or 'Technology just changed your job,' they'll be in position to know how to make this change."

Kids who do single out careers early can come out ahead, though, she said, citing studies that found that students who enter college with a career in mind are much likelier to graduate.

But Annie Fox, an educator, online adviser for teens and author of a book about teenage stress, thinks kids are being pushed too early to focus on careers when they should be taught life skills instead.

"Does anyone in their reasoned mind actually believe that it benefits a seventh-grader to be stressing about medical school or a job or providing for a family?" she asked, citing an instance from her work in the San Francisco Bay area.



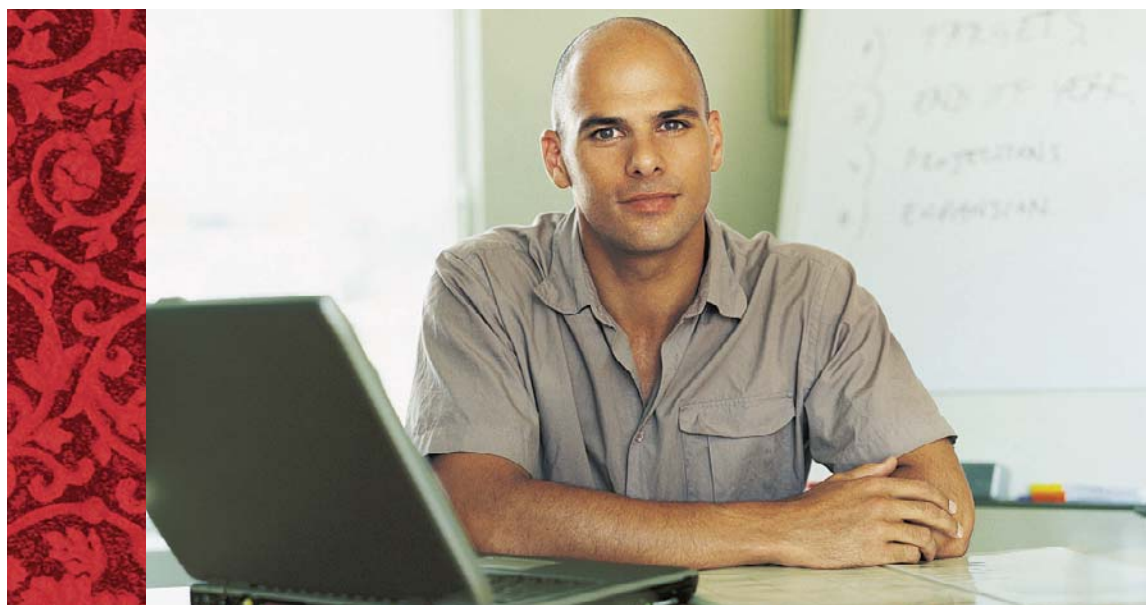
"I'm not saying you shouldn't think about what you're going to do until you're 18," she said. "But it's got to be balanced; that's really the key to managing stress."

Christen, who co-wrote the teen-oriented "What Color is Your Parachute?" book with Richard Nelson Bolles, author of the best-selling original version, contends it's the absence of career planning that will ultimately cause problems.

"I don't want any young person to think, 'Oh my God, I've got to choose it now,'" she said. "The Department of Labor says the average worker will change jobs 10 times and have three or four careers."

But everybody needs an interesting job, she said, and that takes some preparation.

"Twenty years ago, you could tumble out of college and find a profession, a good job that took almost no training," she said. "That is not true today. Jobs for college grads are shrinking. That's the reason we have to start teaching strategic thinking." DAVE CARPENTER (AP)



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Do-Right Resumes

Fibbing about your background could destroy your career

As a number of corporate executives have found to their dismay, lying on a job resume can have dire consequences.

Earlier this year, the chief executive of RadioShack Corp., David Edmondson, was forced out after it was discovered he did not have the college degrees he claimed. Other major cases have seen the chairman of gun manufacturer Smith & Wesson's parent company resign when his criminal past was revealed, and an executive for Bausch & Lomb Inc. miss out on a \$1.1 million bonus because he falsely claimed to have a business school degree.

It's important to be honest on your resume whether you're applying for a job as company president or as a janitor, because the risk of being caught in a lie is so great it isn't worth it, experts say.

"You really don't want to lie about anything, because people do check and you can get found out,"

said Richard C. Bayer, chief operating officer of the Five O'Clock Club career coaching and outplacement firm in New York. "If that happens, you won't get hired, or worse, you'll get fired."

Still, study after study has shown that job seekers put a lot of inaccurate information in their resumes.

The Chicago outplacement firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc. found that the most common falsehoods involved education — either listing a degree from a school the job applicant didn't attend or inflating a grade point average. That was followed by making up job titles, boosting salaries and mischaracterizing why the applicant left previous jobs.

A study by ResumeDoctor.com, a resume advisory service based in South Burlington, Vt., found that nearly 43 percent of more than 1,100 resumes it checked for dates of employment, job titles and edu-



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cation contained at least one significant inaccuracy. Nearly 13 percent of the resumes contained two or more inaccuracies.

Brad Fredericks, co-founder of ResumeDoctor.com, said he believed some job applicants mistakenly believed that inflating their credentials would give them a leg up.

"I think that some job seekers feel that in order to be competitive, they need to exaggerate their background," he said. "It's kind of like an Olympic skier who feels pressure to use performance-enhancing drugs just to stay in the race."

Another reason, he added, "is the sense that everyone is doing it, so what's the harm?"

Such tactics, Fredericks warned, "can come back to hurt you sooner or later."

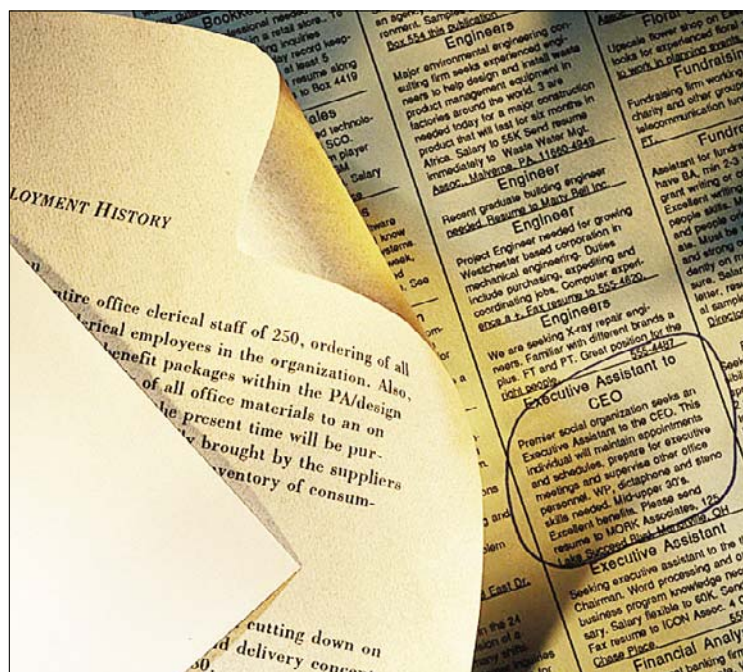
He said that most large companies have procedures to verify information on resumes or on the companies' own application forms.

Many smaller companies don't, he added, "either because they don't have the resources or don't realize it's such a problem and that they need to do this."

Ironically, Fredericks said, the main reason job applicants fail to get a job isn't that their credentials aren't adequate but that their resumes aren't targeted to the employer.

"Every single time you send your resume, you have to take the time to customize it to show how your background makes you fit," he said. "It has to say, 'This is what you're looking for, and this is how my background relates to it.'"

Bayer of the Five O'Clock Club



Before applying for that fat-cat job, double-check your resume for big, fat lies.

agrees that it's important for job seekers to put a strong summary statement at the top of a resume.

"You need to make it clear at the top what it is you want to do," Bayer said. "Otherwise, you're positioned by your most recent job."

And, Bayer said, it isn't necessary to give each job equal prominence; you can highlight those you want the hiring manager to notice.

He also says job seekers shouldn't feel uncomfortable about revealing why they left a previous job, even if it was not voluntary.

"In today's economy with plant closings, outsourcing, downsizing, mergers and acquisitions, it's not unusual to lose a job through no fault of your own," Bayer said. "Human resource managers understand this and should not judge you unfairly for it." EILEEN ALT POWELL (AP)

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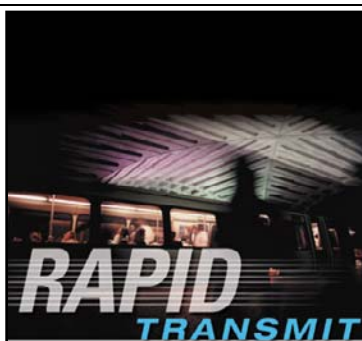
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ings, applying for positions and even getting quite a few interviews. But nothing was working out. Then, I got a call from a professional acquaintance who thought I might be looking, who knew a great person that was hiring, and wanted my permission to give my name. A week later, I've got my dream job. So, everyone who is looking, keep your chins up, and don't hesitate to let people know you're looking.

Congrats! And thanks for that check-back. Great advice for us all. Good luck.

I am going to ask my boss for fair compensation since I am doing the work of a colleague who left three months ago and, although they filled her position with someone new, they gave her new projects while I retain the old ones. There is no question I am doing more work than the job I was initially hired for. I could use some advice on wording and to whom, in addition to my boss, to take the issue. Also — what is a reasonable amount to ask? Should I ask for 5 percent, 7 percent? This all comes on the tail of the whole department getting a percent increase for 2006-2007 — not even an extra \$1,000 before taxes.

Talk to your boss in person. Explain that you believe you have earned a raise and mention that you have taken on many additional things and done them well. Then give your boss a memo explaining what you have done and what you plan to do.

Go through a few months of work and list for yourself everything you have done that is new or important. List the good work you've done. Then take the list and make a memo highlighting accomplishments that you think will show why you have earned a hike in pay. Give this to your boss when you meet.

As for how much? You can ask for a specific amount. But more likely, your boss will tell you how much you'll get. There are a lot of good salary calculators online. Check out bls.gov (Bureau of Labor Statistics) for some guidance.

While I agree that networking can be helpful, I don't think that it is the only way to get a job. My first three jobs came by looking at want ads and by applying online. What made the difference was really finding

the right fit and making sure my experience — including volunteer activities related to the causes and nonprofits where I was applying for a job — made my resume rise to the top. I am now at the top level of my field. So, make those contacts, but also recognize that to get the job you want, you need to prepare and be clear about what kind of job you want. And put in the effort to get some experience, even if it is only as a volunteer.

You're absolutely right. Networking isn't the only way to get a new job. It's important to do it all. And it's even more important to work toward that next job, rather than just hope something will come along. Volunteering is a great way to build up new experiences.

I am the newest, most junior employee at my company. I am frequently the messenger on different projects. For example, person A will make a decision about a particular project, and then I communicate to person B what those changes are. Well, person B isn't always happy to hear the changes and suggestions. I feel uncomfortable being firm, but I feel like a complete wimp if I stammer, "Well, person A said to do it like this." Any advice on how to maintain my integrity and a proper amount of humility?

Is this person uncomfortable? Or does this person actually say to you that he or she won't do it? If the person expresses discomfort, then I'd say it's not your job to reiterate what person A said. Let A and B fight it out. If you agree with person A and it's necessary that you make that clear, then speak up. "Well, what we're hoping to do here is X."

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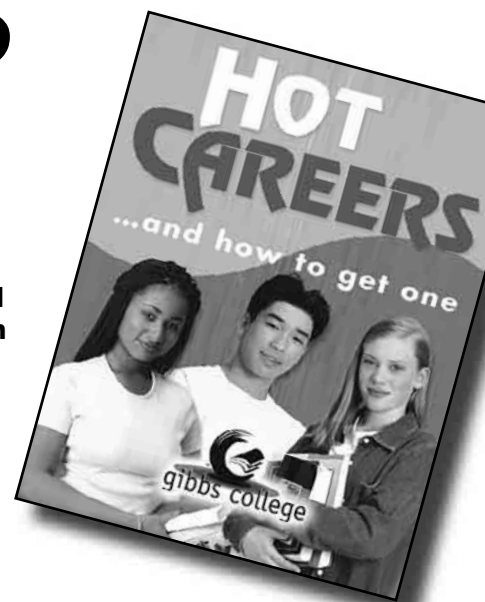
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